

# City of Quincy Annual Report 2008



# City of Quincy Massachusetts



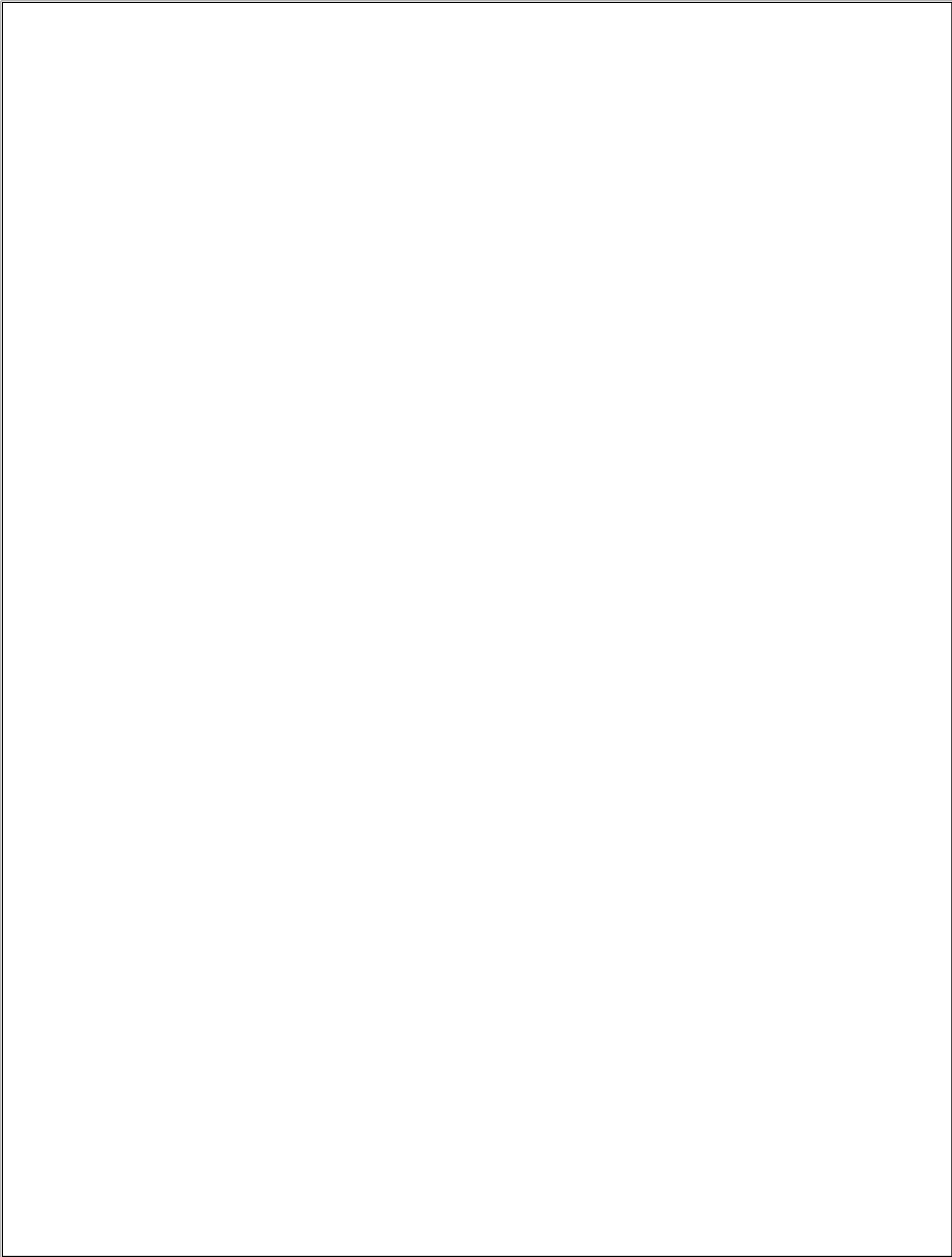
## Annual City Report

Fiscal Year 2008  
July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

This Annual Report was under  
the direction of the office of  
Mayor Thomas P. Koch.

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# The Quincy City Council

## 2008



Leo J. Kelly  
*Ward 1 Councillor*



Daniel G. Raymondi  
*Ward 2 Councillor*



Kevin F. Coughlin  
*Ward 3 Councillor*



James H. Davis III  
*Council President*



Douglas S. Gutro  
*Ward V Councillor*



Brian F. McNamee  
*Ward 6 Councillor*



Michael E. McFarland  
*Councillor-At-Large*



John Keenan  
*Councillor-At-Large*



Joseph G. Finn  
*Councillor-At-Large*

## City Council Committees

### 2007-2008

#### COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE

Finance  
Ordinance  
Oversight  
Environmental  
Public Works  
Park & Recreation  
Public Safety  
Rules  
Senior Citizens  
Education  
Business & Economic Development  
Veterans Services  
Library  
Housing

#### CHAIRMAN

John F. Keenan  
Kevin F. Coughlin  
Douglas S. Gutro  
Leo J. Kelly  
Joseph G. Finn  
  
Daniel G. Raymondi  
James H. Davis III  
Daniel G. Raymondi  
Kevin F. Coughlin  
John F. Keenan  
Leo J. Kelly  
  
Joseph G. Finn

#### VICE CHAIRMAN

Douglas S. Gutro  
Leo J. Kelly  
James H. Davis III  
Daniel G. Raymondi  
Leo J. Kelly  
Kevin F. Coughlin  
Joseph G. Finn  
John F. Keenan  
Leo J. Kelly  
  
Douglas S. Gutro  
Kevin F. Coughlin  
Joseph G. Finn  
Douglas S. Gutro

**The Quincy School Committee**  
**2007-2008**

The Honorable Thomas P. Koch, Chairman

Jo-Ann M. Bragg

Elaine F. Dwyer

David McCarthy

Nick Puleo

Ronald Mariano

Anne Mahoney

## **Boards and Commissions**

2008

### **Affordable Housing Trust**

Rosemary Wahlberg  
Sister Joanne Westwater  
Donna Ackerman  
Nancy Callanan  
Dennis Harrington  
Robert Foy  
Joseph Finn  
Douglas Gutro  
Robert Rizzi  
Alicia Gardner  
Sean Galvin  
Reverend Sheldon Bennett  
Pastor Wismar

### **Beaches Commission**

Leo Kelly  
Douglas Gutro  
Margaret Milne  
Robert Galligan  
David Murphy  
Jack Nigro  
Robert Stevens  
Michael Morad  
Patrick J. Foley  
John Haley  
Chickie Abdallah  
Kristen Awed  
Monica Ferraro  
Sheila O'Sullivan  
Drew Scheele

### **Bike Commission**

Lvall Croft  
Ron Goodman  
Page Kistler  
Bruce Hiltunen  
Robert Simpson  
Peter Nielson  
Madelein Noland

### **Board of Assessors**

Marion Fantuccio

Steve Roche

Jolanta Briffett

### **Board of Registrars of Voters**

Denis Tardo  
Jennirer Logue  
William Draicchio  
Joseph P. Shea

### **Building Board of Appeals**

Rick Smith, Esquire  
Edward Leone  
Kenneth Trillcott  
Roger Wallin

### **Cemetery Board of Managers**

Richard T. Sweeney  
Paul Mauriello  
Thomas Galvin  
Arthur Wahlberg  
Paul A. Schaetzl  
Peter Gaciccia  
Tom Stansbury

### **Commission on Disabilities**

Nancy MacDonald  
Larry Wood  
Nancy Magee  
Tom Fabrizio  
Jane Williams  
William Murphy  
Amy Boynton  
George Colarusso  
Vivian Quint

### **Commission on the Family**

Robert Bosworth  
Rick DeCristofaro  
Robert Curry  
Chief Robert Crowley  
Dennis Harrington  
Reverend William McCarthy  
Barry Welch  
Sarah Yaroschuck

Christine Schuster  
Linda Stice

**Commission on Women**

Sister Joanne Westwater  
Lois Elene Farrazzi  
Maureen McGuire  
Karen A. Donnellan-Potts  
Jennifer DeVan  
Mary Lou Meighan  
Deborah Mollomo  
Anne Keating  
Barbara L. Wood  
Loretta DeGrazia  
Jeanne Leslie  
Nancy Callanan  
Claudia Rasmussen  
Jane B. Ford  
Holly Williams  
Joan Pritchard  
Audrey R. MacAllister  
Barbara Nawrot Mendez  
Pauline Petipas  
Mary Ann Stiglone  
Katie Green  
Joyce Young  
Evie Shore  
Donna Nolan  
Maureen Ayers  
Judy Farmer  
Tara Curry  
Nichole Kinney  
Jo-Ann LaFontaine  
Kim DiBona

**Community Policing Commission**

Paula Nicholson  
Normand Goyette  
Richard DeCristofaro  
Chief Paul O'Connell  
Thomas Koch  
Jackie Loud  
Father Robert Monagle  
Linda Stice  
Barry Welch  
Courtney Cahill  
Michael Jackman

Bruce Carr  
Chief Robert Crowley  
Captain Terrence Kelly  
Lieutenant William Stenton  
Officer Thomas Connors  
Captain Frederick Laracy  
Bob Hanna  
Dennis Harrington  
Jay Duca  
Drew Scheele  
Steve O'Donnell

**Conservation Committee**

William Keener  
E. James Iorio  
Kathy Shaw  
Maureen Glynn  
Mike O'Connell  
Martha C. King  
Thomas Kelly  
Heather Sargent

**Council On Aging**

John D. Noonan  
Frank Kearns  
Arthur Kennedy  
John Chen  
Kathy Quirk  
Dr. Joseph E. McDermott  
John Molloy  
Mary Vallier  
Mary Kay Bamford  
Kenneth Tarabelli  
Alexander P. Farquahr  
Mark Carey  
Joseph MacRitchie  
Drew Scheele  
Barry Welch

**Designer Selection Board**

Laurie Allen  
Mike Ryan  
Frank Santoro  
Tom Largey  
Monica Conyngham

**Fair Housing Committee**

Nancy Callanan



Judy Farmer  
Janice Tucker  
Frank Kearns  
John Chen  
Grace Raymond  
Kay Wagner  
Theresa Repoff  
Kathy Healy  
Robert Stevens  
Kathy Shaw  
Kory Eng  
Jo-ann Bragg  
Terry Bellotti-Pulmara  
Robert Ulchak  
William Keener  
Bob Rizzi  
Phylliss Rudnick  
Thomas Fabrizio

**Harbormaster**

James L. Silcox, Sr.  
Daniel C. Shea  
Stephen Cleary  
Alfred Petta  
James B. Hines  
Richard McLaughlin  
George Gullage, Jr.  
Charles Leuchte  
Sal Gallinaro  
James Witham  
Kevin McKinnon  
John Leuchte  
Michael Knudsen  
Thomas O'Rourke

**Historic District Commission**

Edward Fitzgerald  
Susan Canavan  
Anthony Ricci  
Marilyn Manning  
Anne Corcoran  
Joyce Baker  
Rose McCarthy  
Walter Hannon III  
Thomas Koch  
Chris Baker

**Human Rights Commission**

David Ezickson  
Joseph McDermott  
Louvenia Brewster  
Leslie Leahy

Frank Poon  
Ann Yeomans  
Nancy McDonald  
Dorothy Vitale  
Thomas Fabrizio  
Ed Grogan  
Aaron Goodman  
Lt. Jeffrey Burrell

**Industrial Development Finance**

**Authority**

Michael Reidy  
Joseph Priscella  
Arthur Kennedy  
Walter Hannon  
James F. Eddy

**License Board**

Joseph P. Shea  
Paul O'Connell  
Robert Crowley  
Drew Scheele  
Jay Duca

**Board of License Examiners**

Carl Bersani  
Roger Wallin  
Richard Stewart

**Park and Recreation Board**

Cornelius Driscoll  
Betty DeCristofaro  
Sandy Verhault  
Bryan Connolly  
Robert Evans  
Bryant L. Carter, Jr.  
John Nigro  
Ronald Mariano  
Josephine E. Shea

**Planning Board**

William Adams  
Bill Allen  
Celeste McGlone  
Robert Harnais, Esquire

**Quarry Hills Advisory Board**

James L. Anderson  
Moya Baldwin  
Al Bina  
Stephen J. Conroy, Jr.  
Robert Curry

Richard Deady, Jr.  
Richard DeCosta  
Barbara Donelin  
Paul Flaherty  
James L. Galvin, Jr.  
Robert M. Keezer  
Luke MacNeil  
Michael Masone  
Jeffy McNeil  
Tom Murray  
Michael E. O'Connell  
Francis R. Pecoraro  
Hugh Reilly  
Lee Smith  
Ronald Tausevich  
Gerry Tirrell  
Peter R. Traficante, Jr.  
James Vallier  
James A. Webber, Jr.

**Quincy Arts Council**

Margaret Spencer  
Maryellen O'Brien  
Deborah Ali  
Deborah Ormon  
Antoinette Paglierani  
Dianne Murphy  
Eleanor Nelson  
Maria D'Arcangelo  
Edward Fitzgerald  
Yolanda Romanelli  
Kelly Peterson Cobble  
Mary Ann Androncio

**Quincy Community Action**

Jean Kenney  
Michael Berry  
Janet Crowley  
Warren Sproul  
Jane D'Amico  
Charles Phelan  
Betty Yau  
Reverend Sheldon Bennett  
Joanne Condon Walsh  
Jane Hackett  
Judy Farmer  
James Flaherty  
Robert Rizzi  
Attorney Thomas Williams  
Linda Kelly  
Ruth Doyle  
Grace Raymond

Stephanie Fitzsimmons  
Zaida Shaw  
Anneli Johnson  
Marthy Robinson  
Anne Kane (Emeritus)  
Mary Lucier  
James Murdoch  
Linda Robinson  
Beth Ann Strollo

**Quincy Housing Authority**

James P. McDonald  
Kevin Cotter  
F. Jean Kennedy  
Reverend William McCarthy  
Christine Cedrone  
Joseph MacRitchie

**Rent Grievance Board**

Edward Flavin  
Lawrence Falvey  
Robert Markle  
Claire Daniels  
Grace Raymond

**Retirement Board**

Francis X. McCauley  
Richard Fitzpatrick  
George McCray  
Richard Crespi  
Roger Perfetti

**Thomas Crane Public Library Board**

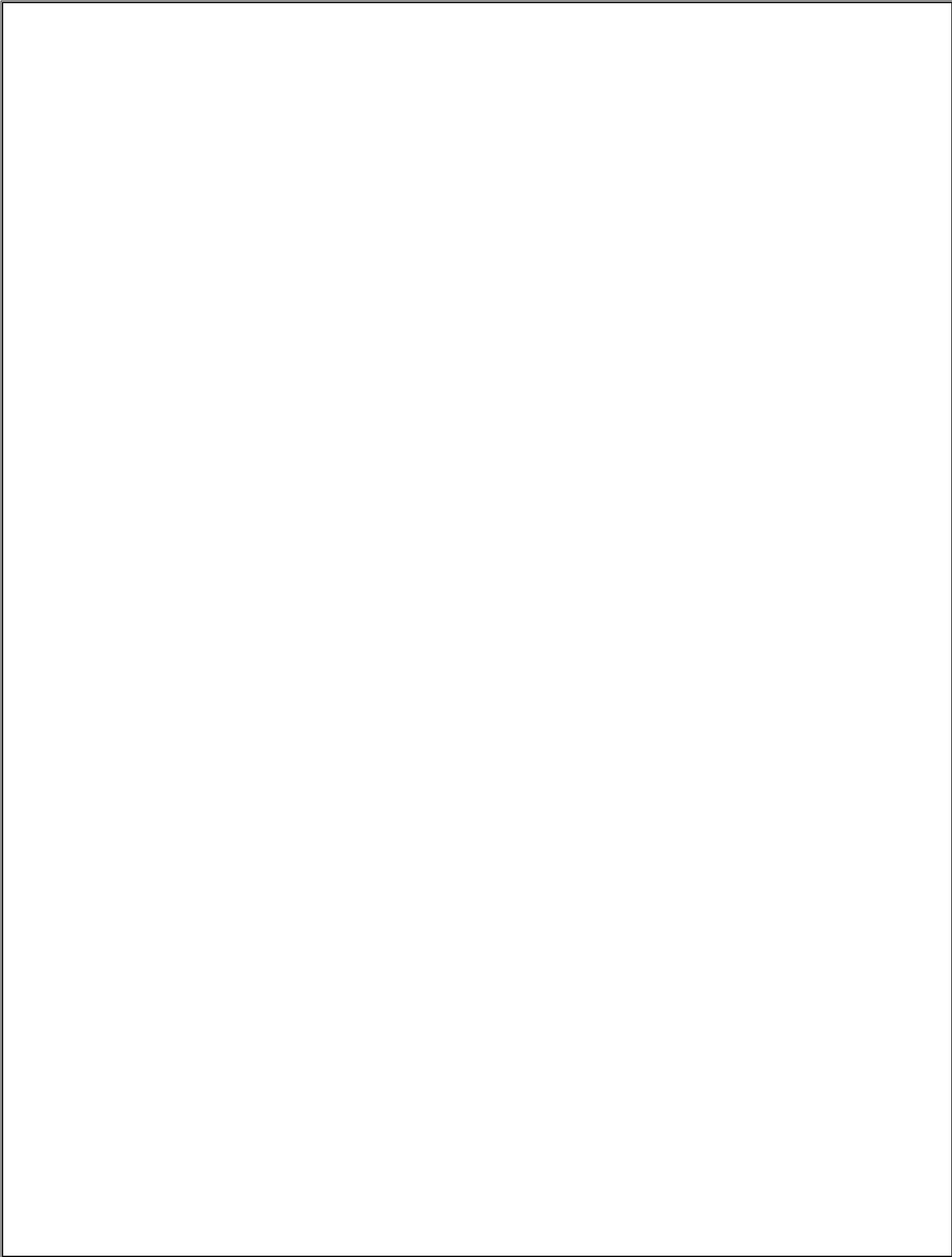
Sandra McCauley  
Lawrence Falvey  
Carol Lee Griffin  
Alicia Coletti  
Harold DiMatteo

**Youth Hockey Arena Board**

Stephen DesRoche  
Christopher McArdle  
Pamela Craig  
Bruce Wood

**Zoning Board of Appeals**

John Greene  
Steve Harold  
Jack Garland  
William G. Cuniff  
Marty Aikens  
David Portesi



# **Section II: Municipal Departments**

**City Clerk**  
Joseph P. Shea, Clerk

**2008 ANNUAL REPORT  
VITAL STATISTICS**

VITAL STATISTICS:  
2008

DOG LICENSES SOLD:

DOGS:	2591	
KENNEL:.....		<u>1</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2592</b>

VITAL STATISTICS:

BIRTHS:

QUINCY:	3
OUT OF TOWN:	1267

MARRIAGES:.....763

DEATHS:.....1012

BUSINESS CERTIFICATES: 707

**TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS: \$187,048.64**

**ELECTIONS**

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PRIMARY ELECTION  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2008  
STATISTICS**

PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 30)	30	100.00
REGISTERED VOTERS – TOTAL	53,803	100.00
BALLOTS CAST - TOTAL	15,399	100.00
VOTER TURNOUT - TOTAL		28.62

**DEMOCRATIC**

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

EDWARD M. KENNEDY	10,773	97.87
WRITE-IN	235	2.13
TOTAL	11,008	100.00
BLANKS	3,251	

GOVERNOR

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

DEVAL L. PATRICK	4,983	35.30
CHRISTOPHER F. GABRIELI	4,889	34.64
THOMAS F. RIELLY	4,219	29.89
WRITE-IN	24	.17
TOTAL	14,115	100.00
BLANKS	144	

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

TIMOTHY P. MURRAY	5,435	41.56
DEBORAH B. GOLDBERG	5,229	39.99
ANDREA C. SILBERT	2,377	18.18
WRITE-IN	36	.28
TOTAL	13,077	100.00
BLANKS	1,182	

ATTORNEY GENERAL

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED 100.00%)

MARTHA COAKLEY	10,599	99.24
WRITE-IN	81	.76

TOTAL	10,680	100.00
BLANKS	3,579	

#### SECRETARY OF STATE

##### VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN	10,893	87.73
JOHN BONIFAZ	1,504	12.11
WRITE-IN	20	.16
TOTAL	12,417	100.00
BLANKS	1,842	

#### TREASURER

##### VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

TIMOTHY P. CAHILL	11,418	99.38
WRITE-IN	71	.62
TOTAL	11,489	100.00
BLANKS	2,770	

#### AUDITOR

##### VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

A. JOSEPH DENUCCI	10,484	99.36
WRITE-IN	68	.64
TOTAL	10,552	100.00
BLANKS	3,707	

#### REP IN CONGRESS TENTH DISTRICT

##### VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT	11,118	99.20
WRITE-IN	90	.80
TOTAL	11,208	100.00
BLANKS	3,051	

#### COUNCILLOR FOURTH DISTRICT

##### VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED 100.00%)

CHRISTOPHER A. IANNELLA, JR.	9,821	99.26
WRITE-IN	73	.74
TOTAL	9,894	100.00

BLANKS	4,365	
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SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT  
NORFOLK & PLYMOUTH DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

MICHAEL W. MORRISSEY	11,085	99.25
WRITE-IN	84	.75
TOTAL	11,169	100.00
BLANKS	3,090	

REP IN GENERAL COURT  
FIRST NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 11 OF 11 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

BRUCE J. AYERS	4,422	99.26
WRITE-IN	33	.74
TOTAL	4,455	100.00
BLANKS	1,235	

REP IN GENERAL COURT  
SECOND NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 13 OF 13 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

ARTHUR STEPHEN TOBIN	4,520	98.95
WRITE-IN	48	1.05
TOTAL	4,568	100.00
BLANKS	1,532	

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT  
THIRD NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 6 OF 6 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

RONALD MARIANO	1,890	99.11
WRITE-IN	17	.89
TOTAL	1,907	100.00
BLANKS	562	

DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WILLIAM R. KEATING	10,417	99.54
WRITE-IN	48	.46



TOTAL	10,465	100.00
BLANKS	3,794	

# CLERK OF COURTS NORFOLK COUNTY

## VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WALTER F. TIMILTY, JR.	10,173	99.48
WRITE-IN	53	.52
TOTAL	10,226	100.00
BLANKS	4,033	

# REGISTER OF DEEDS

## NORFOLK DISTRICT

## VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED 100.00%)

WILLIAM P. O'DONNELL	10,209	99.50
WRITE-IN	51	.50
TOTAL	10,260	100.00
BLANKS	3,999	

# COUNTY COMMISSIONER

## NORFOLK COUNTY

## VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

PETER H. COLLINS	9,946	99.46
WRITE-IN	54	.54
TOTAL	10,000	100.00
BLANKS	4,259	

# REPUBLICAN

# SENATOR IN CONGRESS

## VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

KENNETH G. CHASE	505	53.43
KEVIN P. SCOTT	382	41.93
WRITE-IN	24	2.63
TOTAL	911	100.00
BLANKS	229	

GOVERNOR

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED 100.00%)

KERRY HEALEY	856	87.44
WRITE-IN	123	12.56
TOTAL	979	100.00
BLANKS	161	

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED 100.00%)

REED V. HILLMAN	779	94.20
WRITE-IN	48	5.80
TOTAL	827	100.00
BLANKS	313	

ATTORNEY GENERAL

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

LARRY FRISOLI	788	96.33
WRITE-IN	30	3.67
TOTAL	818	100.00
BLANKS	322	

SECRETARY OF STATE

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	72	100.00
TOTAL	72	100.00
BLANKS	1,068	

TREASURER

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	65	100.00
TOTAL	65	100.00
BLANKS	1,075	

AUDITOR

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	55	100.00
TOTAL	55	100.00
BLANKS	1,085	

REP IN CONGRESS TENTH DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

JEFFREY K. BEATTY	731	96.44
WRITE-IN	27	3.56
TOTAL	758	100.00
BLANKS	382	

COUNCILLOR FOURTH DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	58	100.00
TOTAL	58	100.00
BLANKS	1,082	

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

NORFOLK & PLYMOUTH DISTRICT

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	66	100.00
TOTAL	66	100.00
BLANKS	1,074	

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

FIRST NORFOLK DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 11 OF 11 PRECINCTS COUNTED 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	29	100.00
TOTAL	29	100.00
BLANKS	434	

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

SECOND NORFOLK DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 13 OF 13 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	24	100.00
TOTAL	24	100.00
BLANKS	455	

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

THIRD NORFOLK DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 6 OF 6 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	13	100.00
TOTAL	13	100.00
BLANKS	185	

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

NORFOLK DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	52	100.00
TOTAL	52	100.00
BLANKS	1,088	

CLERK OF COURTS NORFOLK COUNTY

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	52	100.00
TOTAL	52	100.00
BLANKS	1,088	

REGISTER OF DEEDS

NORFOLK DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

WRITE-IN	46	100.00
TOTAL	46	100.00
BLANKS	1,094	

COUNTY COMM. NORFOLK COUNTY

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED – 100.00%)

THOMAS E. GORMAN	713	97.67
WRITE-IN	17	2.33
TOTAL	730	100.00
BLANKS	410	

2008 City of Quincy Population and Voters

Total Population 90,312

Democrats: 24,859

Republicans:	6,183
Unenrolled:	22,335
All Others	426
Total:	53,803

## **CITY CLERK**

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*Joseph P. Shea, City Clerk*

### **ELECTIONS 2008ANNUAL REPORT**

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS STATE ELECTION TUESDAY – NOVEMBER 7, 2008**

PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 30)	30	100.00
REGISTERED VOTERS - TOTAL	54,495	100.00
BALLOTS CAST - TOTAL	29,258	100.00
VOTER TURNOUT - TOTAL		53.69

#### **SENATOR IN CONGRESS**

##### **VOTE FOR 1**

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

EDWARD M. KENNEDY	19,986	71.51
KENNETH G. CHASE	7,903	28.28
WRITE-IN	61	.22
TOTAL	27,950	100.00
BLANKS	1,308	

#### **GOVERNOR AND LT. GOVERNOR**

##### **VOTE FOR 1**

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

PATRICK AND MURRAY	14,914	51.73
HEALEY AND HILLMAN	10,684	37.05
MIHOS AND SULLIVAN	2,479	8.60
ROSS AND ROBINSON	687	2.38
WRITE-IN	69	.24
TOTAL	28,833	100.00
BLANKS	425	

#### **ATTORNEY GENERAL**

##### **VOTE FOR 1**

(WITH 30 OF 30 COUNTED)

MARTHA COAKLEY	20,783	75.05
LARRY FRISOLI	6,883	24.85
WRITE-IN	28	.10
TOTAL	27,694	100.00
BLANKS	1,564	

SECRETARY OF STATE

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINTS COUNTED)

WILLIAM F. GALVIN	22,754	85.84
JILL E. STEIN	3,657	13.80
WRITE-IN	96	.36
TOTAL	26,507	100.00
BLANKS	2,751	

TREASURER

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

TIMOTHY P. CAHILL	24,025	88.42
JAMES O'KEEFE	3,086	11.36
WRITE-IN	61	.22
TOTAL	27,172	100.00
BLANKS	2,086	

AUDITOR

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

A. JOSEPH DENUCCI	21,636	83.28
RAND WILSON	4,275	16.45
WRITE-IN	69	.27
TOTAL	25,980	100.00
BLANKS	3,278	

REP IN CONGRESS TENTH DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT (DEM)	20,875	75.01
JEFFREY K. BEATTY (REP)	5,482	19.70
PETER A. WHITE (IND)	1,446	5.20
WRITE-IN	26	.09
TOTAL	27,829	100.00
BLANKS	1,429	

COUNCILLOR FOURTH DISTRICT

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

CHRISTOPHER A. IANNELLA, JR. (DEM)	21,690	98.72
WRITE-IN	281	1.28
TOTAL	21,971	100.00
BLANKS	7,287	

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT  
NORFOLK AND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT  
(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

MICHAEL W. MORRISSEY (DEM)	23,121	98.76
WRITE-IN	290	1.24
TOTAL	23,411	100.00
BLANKS	5,847	

REP IN GENERAL COURT F  
FIRST NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 11 OF 11 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

BRUCE J. AYERS (DEM)	9,037	98.92
WRITE-IN	99	1.08
TOTAL	9,136	100.00
BLANKS	2,155	

REP IN GENERAL COURT  
SECOND NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 13 OF 13 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

ARTHUR STEPHEN TOBIN (DEM)	9,508	98.43
WRITE-IN	152	1.57
TOTAL	9,660	100.00
BLANKS	2,865	

REP IN GENERAL COURT  
THIRD NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 6 OF 6 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

RONALD MARIANO (DEM)	4,320	99.01
WRITE-IN	43	.99
TOTAL	4,363	100.00
BLANKS	1,079	

DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

WILLIAM R. KEATING (DEM)	22,296	99.00
WRITE-IN	226	1.00
TOTAL	22,522	100.00
BLANKS	6,736	



CLERK OF COURTS NORFOLK COUNTY  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

WALTER F. TIMILTY, JR. (DEM)	21,946	98.98
WRITE-IN	227	1.02
TOTAL	22,173	100.00
BLANKS	7,058	

REGISTER OF DEEDS  
NORFOLK DISTRICT  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

WILLIAM P. O'DONNELL (DEM)	22,043	99.09
WRITE-IN	202	.91
TOTAL	22,245	100.00
BLANKS	7,013	

COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
NORFOLK COUNTY  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

PETER H. COLLINS (DEM)	17,394	72.88
THOMAS E. GORMAN (REP)	6,428	26.93
WRITE-IN	45	.19
TOTAL	23,867	100.00
BLANKS	5,391	

QUESTION 1 LAW PROPOSED BY  
INITIATIVE PETITION  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

NO	16,374	61.45
YES	10,270	38.55
TOTAL	26,644	100.00
BLANKS	2,614	

QUESTION 2 LAW PROPOSED BY  
INITIATIVE PETITION  
VOTE FOR 1  
(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

NO	17,294	67.09
YES	8,485	32.91
TOTAL	25,779	100.00
BLANKS	3,479	

QUESTION 3 LAW PROPOSED BY

INITIATIVE PETITION

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

NO	13,227	51.45
YES	12,481	48.55
TOTAL	25,708	100.00
BLANKS	3,550	

QUESTION 4

VOTE FOR 1

(WITH 30 OF 30 PRECINCTS COUNTED)

YES	14,491	56.57
NO	11,125	43.43
TOTAL	25,616	100.00
BLANKS	3,642	

2008 City of Quincy Population and Voters

Total Population 90,342

Democrats:	25,045
Republicans:	6,175
Unenrolled:	22,867
All Others	408
TOTAL:	54,495

## **CITY CLERK**

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*Joseph P. Shea, City Clerk*

### **2008 ANNUAL REPORT LICENSE BOARD**

License/Application	Fee
AMMUNITION INFLAMMABLES	\$35.00
AUCTIONEER	\$35.00
BOWLING LANES	\$640.00
BRUNCH	\$75.00
CABARET MUSIC	\$7350.00
CLUB ALL ALCOHOLIC	\$12,550.00
CLUB WINE & MALT	\$650.00
COMMON VICTUALER	\$31,183.00
CV/ALL ALCOHOL	\$108,660.00
CV/WINE & MALT	\$14,048.00
CONTAINER STORAGE	\$2,300.00
DANCING ALCOHOL	\$200.00
DANCING SCHOOL	\$350.00
ENTERTAINMENT	\$4,150.00
FLAMMABLES	\$100.00
FLOOR SHOW	\$800.00
FORTUNE TELLER/CARD READER	\$200.00
FORTUNE TELLER/COMMON VICTUALER	\$200.00
GARAGE/REPAIR	\$3000.00
GAS STATION	\$200.00
GASOLINE/REPAIR	\$14,550.00
GENERAL ON PREMISE (ALCOHOL)	\$3,300.00
HACKNEY	\$5,850.00

INFLAMMABLES	\$75.00
INN HOLDER	\$4,000.00
JUKE BOX	\$900.00
JUNK WAGON/SHOP	\$150.00
KARAOKE	\$150.00
LIVERY	\$25.00
LODGING HOUSE	\$5,000.00
MANAGERS	\$850.00
MOTOR I	\$600.00
MOTOR II	\$6,100.00
MOVIE SCREEN	\$400.00
OLD GOLD/SILVER	\$300.00
PARKING SPACE (S)	\$525.00
PAWNBROKER	\$200.00
PINBALL/VIDEO	\$8,600.00
POOL TABLES	\$5,775.00
RETAIL STORE ALL ALCOHOL	\$23,400.00
RETAIL STORE WINE & MALT	\$13,550.00
SECONDHAND	\$200.00
SELF SERVICE GAS STATION	\$3,200.00
SUNDAY RETAIL ALL ALCOHOL	\$5,700.00
SUNDAY RETAIL WINE & MALT	\$2,400.00
VETERANS/LEGIONS (ALL ALCOHOLIC)	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$294,916.00

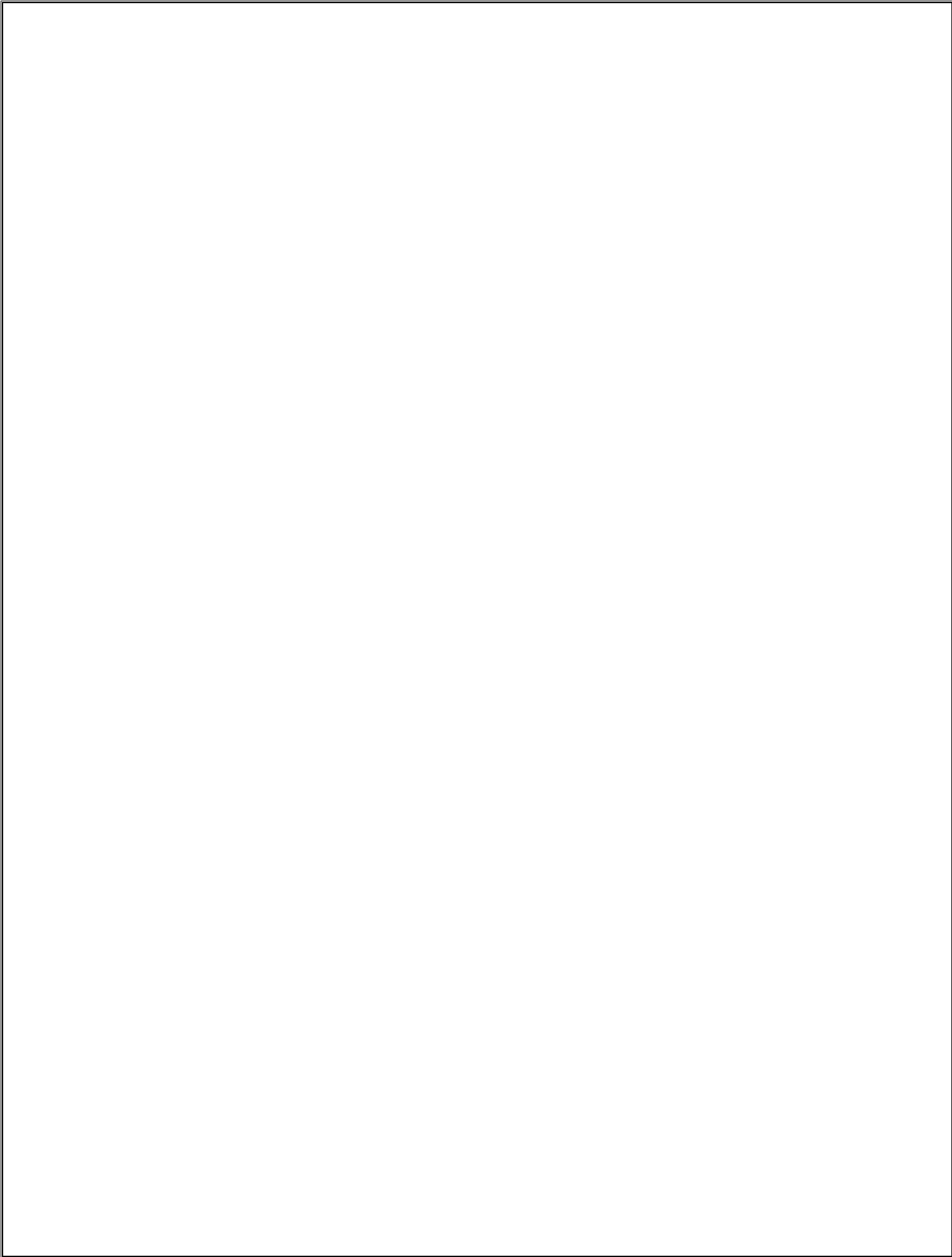
### **Office of the City Solicitor**

Under the direction of the Mayor, the office of the City Solicitor provides legal services for the City of Quincy. The Solicitor, her assistants and counsel are responsible for defending the City against all lawsuits and claims brought against the City, its officers, employees and departments. They must also commence and prosecute all legal actions arising from claims, rights or privileges of the City or any department or administrative board of the City. These responsibilities usually include litigation; the review of legal documents; and the rendering of legal opinions upon request from the Mayor, City Council or department heads.

Numerous issues of municipal law were presented for resolution, including drafting the Quincy Center zoning amendment and the Quincy Center District Improvement Financing zone; defending the City in several trials in both federal and state court; advising the Mayor with respect to budgetary issues; and enforcing health and safety codes. In addition the office of the City Solicitor assisted the various Departments of the City in their work on behalf of the City.

The office of the City Solicitor also represents the various city boards including the Conservation Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Planning Board and the Board of License Commissioners. The office of the City Solicitor defends the decisions made by these Boards.

During Fiscal Year 2006, the City received in excess of 300 new claims.



## **Park and Forestry Department**

Kristen M. Powers, Executive Director

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

FY 2008

The Park & Forestry Department employs a staff of 25 full-time positions, including administration. The department is overseen by an executive director, appointed by the mayor.

Mark C. Jaehnig, an appointee of Mayor William J. Phelan, served as executive director of the department from July 1, 2007 – February 1, 2008 of this fiscal year.

Upon taking office in January, Mayor Thomas P. Koch appointed Kristen M. Powers to serve as executive director effective February 4, 2008. Powers previously served as the department's Program Manager, beginning in August 2003.

James W. Conso was appointed as Program Manager effective February 4, 2008.

The Park & Recreation Board is the permit granting authority for all park use and establishes rules, regulations and policies relative to parkland.

### **THE PARK & RECREATION BOARD**

Of the nine appointments to the Board, six are appointed by the Mayor representing each of the city's six wards, while the remaining appointments are made by the City Council with the provision of one being a member of the School Committee.

The Park & Recreation Board saw changes throughout the fiscal year due to the change in mayoral administration. From July to January the following appointments made by Mayor William J. Phelan served on the board:

Connie Driscoll, Chairman (Ward One)  
Robert Evans, Vice Chairman (Ward Five)  
Bryant L. Carter, Jr., Secretary (Ward Six)  
Bryan C. Connolly\* (Ward Four)  
Betty DeCristofaro (Ward Two)  
Donna McGaughey\*\* (Ward Four)  
Sandy Verhault (Ward Three)

\* *July to September (resigned)*

\*\* *October to January*

City Council appointments Jack Nigro and Josephine Shea as well as School Committeeman David McCarthy's service to the board remained uninterrupted for fiscal year 2008.

Mayor Thomas P. Koch appointed the following individuals to serve on the Park & Recreation Board, effective February 4, 2008:

Connie Driscoll (Ward One)  
Brad Croall (Ward Two)  
Jay P. Stearns (Ward Three)  
Joseph Brill (Ward Four)  
Judith Krimski (Ward Five)  
Bryant L. Carter, Jr. (Ward Six)

The board held their annual organizational meeting in March, electing Connie Driscoll as Chairman; Josephine Shea as Vice Chairman; and Bryant L. Carter, Jr. as Secretary. Each individual will serve a one-year term in their respective post.

Approximately 2,500 permit dates were approved during the past year for baseball, softball, soccer, football and lacrosse issued for scholastic, youth and adult league play. In addition, permits were granted for the city's two picnic facilities, to host civic and family-oriented events. This figure has steadily risen from year to year and reflects both an increase in available facilities as well as a diversified roster of activity.

The Board meets at 6:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at the Richard J. Koch Park and Recreation Complex, One Merrymount Parkway.

### **ADMINISTRATION AND OVERVIEW**

The Park Department has jurisdiction over all parkland in the city. This includes care and maintenance of: *34 basketball courts; 22 tennis courts; 7 street hockey/in-line skating facilities; 25 Little League/Softball diamonds; 7 regulation baseball diamonds; 6 full-size soccer fields; 4 full-size lacrosse fields; 3 football fields; 2 picnic facilities; and 28 children's tot-lots.* In addition, the department is responsible for regular mowing and trimming of the grass at the 52 active and passive parks in the city with close to 100 acres cut each week. A number of traffic islands and corners are beautified with flowerbeds and plantings, watered, and generally maintained by the department.

In June, parcel of open space acquired through the Community Preservation Act were accepted by the Park & Recreation board and placed under the jurisdiction of the Park Department. These parcels include the Bayswater Boatyard in Houghs Neck, land behind the Souther Tide Mill on Southern Artery, 2, 3 & 21 Holliston Street, 271 Sea Street (formerly known as Cobblestone), and Avalon West, often referred to as the Hazeltine property. The future use of these parcels is governed by open space and Community Preservation Act regulations.

The grounds of 20 school properties throughout the city continue to be maintained by the Park Department. This includes regular mowing and trimming of the grass, the



care and maintenance of all shrubs and trees as well as the maintenance of their various playground structures and amenities.

The Forestry Division of the Park Department, overseen by an ISA – Certified Arborist, has jurisdiction over the city's urban forest, which includes all trees in the public way as well as those growing on parkland or school grounds.

### **FORESTRY DIVISION**

The Forestry Division of the Park Department received 1,700 calls for service this past year. In response, more than 600 trees were removed, 950 trimmed or pruned and 50 sprayed for insects. All tree service recommendations originate from the city's Arborist, Joseph Koch, who assesses each request before assigning the tree crew to carry out the recommended work. This year the department was fortunate to have an additional employee, Philip Cosgrove, successfully achieve his ISA – Arborist certification. This will allow for greater productivity in assessing and making recommendations for tree work.

The City of Quincy was named "Tree City USA" by the National Arbor Day Foundation for the 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive year recognizing its commitment to maintaining and urban forest.

Through a line item appropriation of \$150,000.00 made by the Mayor and approved by the City Council, the department conducted a citywide street tree planting that took place in November, adding a total of 300 trees to the city's canopy, varying in species including Skyline Honey Locust, White Oak, Allee Elm, Autumn Blaze Maple, Amur Maple and Chanticleer Callery Pear.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

The Park Department is the lead or support agency for many of the municipal celebrations held annually. The department conducts the Arts in the Parks, Cleaner Greener, Neat Neighbors, Summerfest, ArtsFest, Presidents' Day and First Night events as well as the Environmental Treasures program which hosts a different exploration of nature each month.

In addition, the department assists with the Flag Day Parade and Ceremony, the Christmas Festival Parade and ceremonies, the William Degan Memorial Road Race, the Jimmy Kennedy "Squirrel Run", the Veterans' Day Parade, the Memorial Day Parade, South Quincy Italian Festival, the Irish Festival, the August Moon Festival and many other civic and charitable events.

The Department is charged with the duty of installing lighting for the city's annual Holiday Lighting at various locations throughout the city. Quincy center boasts the largest display, with a large illuminated Santa Claus, Snowman and Toy Soldier, Nativity Scene and thousands of lights strung from the trees around McIntyre Mall and along the Hancock Street corridor as well as the Thomas Crane Public Library. Other

locations for lighting included Wollaston Center, Norfolk Downs, Squantum, Houghs Neck Fire Station, Safford Park, Robert Burns Park and Shea Park.

The Park & Recreation Board receives requests each year from the city's Neighborhood Associations asking for the Department's assistance in their Christmas tree lighting ceremonies. This year, Houghs Neck, Germantown, Wollaston, Squantum, and Town Brook House sought assistance and all requests were granted.

### **PARK IMPROVEMENT BOND PROJECTS - UPDATE**

#### **400 METER TRACK FACILITY**

In May of fiscal year 2007, the Park & Recreation Board, in a five to three vote, approved Pageant Field as the site for the 400 meter track facility. The City Council appropriated funds site specific to Pageant Field in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for construction of the track. Symmes, Maini & McKee Associates (SMMA) submitted a cost estimate for construction of the track, totaling \$1,342,835.00, which did not include relocation of the picnic shelter.

SMMA submitted a design to the Park & Recreation board in October. In November, the board received a petition from a citizen-based group, "The Friends of Pageant Field" who lobbied for the preservation of Pageant Field and the relocation of the track to another site.

After the results of the November mayoral election, the track project was put on hold until the Mayor Koch's administration took office in January.

Park Department representatives conducted meetings with SMMA through the winter months to discuss different site alternatives for the track at the direction of Mayor Koch. In May, the Park & Recreation board rescinded its vote, electing to halt any further work on the track project with Pageant Field as the site. Subsequently, the Park Department began preliminary discussions with engineering firm Gale Associates to conduct a feasibility study on siting the track at Faxon Field.

#### **MITCHELL / MCCOY WOMEN'S SOFTBALL COMPLEX**

The finishing touches were placed on the Mitchell / McCoy softball complex this spring with work being completed on the restroom/concession facility as well as finish paving of the parking lot and perimeter plantings added.

This closed out the project on the city's first state-of-the-art women's softball facility, which sees use from the city's scholastic, youth, and adult programs as well as Eastern Nazarene College.

## **ADAMS WALK**

Work recommenced on the Adams Walk project, which upon completion will serve as the premier passive park in the city's park system.

Thirty-six trees were planted in June varying in species suitable for a formal garden. Perimeter walkways were paved and plumbing and electrical work to complete the fountain and essentially the project will begin in fiscal year 2009. An October 2008 completion date has been set.

## **Cemetery Department**

Kristen Powers, Executive Director

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

JULY 1, 2007 TO JUNE 30, 2008

The Cemetery Department has jurisdiction over six municipal cemeteries in the City of Quincy including Hancock Cemetery, Snug Harbor Cemetery, Sailors Home Cemetery, Hall Cemetery, Mount Wollaston Cemetery and Pine Hill Cemetery.

The Department is overseen by an Executive Director with 14 full-time positions and six seasonal personnel.

The Cemetery Board of Managers promulgates and enforces the rules and regulations applicable to the cemeteries. The Board consists of seven members, with six appointed by the Mayor. The Mayor's appointments include: Chairman Richard Sweeney, Secretary Paul Mauriello, Peter Gacicia, Thomas Galvin, Paul Schaetzel, and Archie Wahlberg. Thomas Stansbury, the Graves Registration Office for the Department of Veterans Services is the board's seventh member, ex-officio.

### **INTERMENTS**

Mount Wollaston		Pine Hill	
Funerals	160	Funerals	170
Cremations	62	Cremations	15
Total	222	Total	185
	Funerals	330	
	Cremations	77	
	Combined Totals	407	

**\*\*Hall Cemetery Statistics included in Mount Wollaston count**

### **RECEIPTS DEPOSITED**

Mount Wollaston	\$155,350.00
Pine Hill	\$224,425.00
Total:	\$379,775.00

These figures include sale of lots, perpetual care, interments, foundations, deeds and miscellaneous charges.

### **OVERTIME**

Budget	\$80,000.00
Spent	\$78,072.55
Balance	\$1,927.45

**Public Works  
Fiscal Year 2008**

Lawrence J. Prendeville, COMMISSIONER

Public Works Fiscal Year 2008

The primary mission of the City's Public Works Department is to repair, maintain and make improvements to the city's buildings, transportation and public service infrastructure.

To that end, the Phelan administration launched the city's first ever and ambitious program to upgrade our fixed assets with several initiatives, including but not limited to:

- \$2M in capital and operating funds dedicated to the city's firehouses, schools, police station, city hall, and other city owned structures. As detailed within, this program includes long awaited roof repairs and replacements, gymnasium floors and greatly needed upgrades to heating and ventilation systems throughout the city.
- Over \$2M in funds were expended on the city's first ever pavement improvement program. This included streets in the neighborhoods of Wollaston, North Quincy, South Quincy and Squantum. Several major arterial roadways located throughout the city such as Burgin Parkway, Sea Street, Merrymount Parkway and Coddington Street were completed as well. Additional streets are scheduled for this spring. The city also began an aggressive pavement prevention maintenance program on approximately one hundred and fifty streets by crack sealing and repairing deteriorated trenches.
- Completed Phase One of a multi year program to improve the water quality along Wollaston Beach by replacing water and sewer lines along Quincy Shore Drive and its abutting neighborhoods. Phase Two is scheduled to begin construction this summer.
- Worked closely with State and Federal transportation officials to secure one million dollars in Federal Highway funding for the Hancock Street / Merrymount Parkway hazard elimination project. This project was successfully completed.
- Completed several water main improvement projects that will increase pressure to our customers in the Hospital Hill neighborhood and assist the city in offsetting the annual increases in MWRA rates by reducing our water system losses through leaking pipes and water main failures.

Since taking office, Mayor Thomas P. Koch has forged ahead with many new cost saving measures, most notably the Tri-Town Waste Agreement between Quincy, Weymouth and Braintree. Capitol Waste now handles all waste pick up for the City.

## MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT

### Solid Waste Disposal

The City is in the 5th year of a 10-year contract with Covanta Semass for the disposal of household waste. Solid waste is weighed at the Braintree Transfer Station and transported to a burn facility in Rochester, MA where it is burned as fuel for turbines that produce electricity. The electricity is then sold to the electric grid.

The total municipal solid waste tonnage for Quincy in FY '08 was 33,143 tons, which represents a decrease of 196 tons from FY '07. The City paid \$2,797,600 for the disposal of solid waste in FY '08. The per-ton cost for FY '08 was \$84.41 per-ton. The cost per-ton increases annually according to the contract. The cost per-ton for FY '09 is scheduled to be \$86.92, which includes a "Change in Law" increase of \$0.40 per-ton for construction and operation standards imposed by the Dept. of Environmental Protection upon the Covanta Semass Partnership.

### Curbside Collection

The City finished a 5-year contract with Allied Waste for the curbside collection of household waste, recycling, yardwaste, and white goods. Under the contract, approximately 23,000 households consisting of 8 units or less are eligible for the weekly curbside collection of household trash, recycling, and 24 weeks of curbside collection of yardwaste. The cost for curbside collection of solid waste only was \$2,178,801. Public hearings were held by the City Council in February of 2008, in response to a significant increase in complaints from residents regarding the service quality of curbside collection including a first time ever missed pick-up of an entire day's route due to a snow emergency. Capitol Waste won the new contract and is now serving Quincy, Weymouth and Braintree with high quality curbside collection services.

### Curbside Collection of Commingled Recycling

This was the 18th year of a comprehensive recycling program in Quincy. Under a separate line item in the curbside collection budget 883 tons of commingle material and 3,147 tons of paper was collected at a cost of \$955,000 in a "dual stream" process whereby paper is separated from all other material both at the home of residents and at curbside by the collector. \$123,000 in rebates was received from Allied Waste for the collection of paper. Under the contract, no rebates were realized for commingles.

### Curbside Collection of Yardwaste

Yardwaste collection service was offered for 24 weeks in FY '08 in which approx. 10,000 cubic yards of yardwaste were collected and processed into approx. 7,000 cubic yards of re-usable compost in the DPW yard. Yardwaste collection runs from mid-April until the end of November. Yardwaste is collected weekly in the spring and fall and bi-weekly during the summer. The cost for yardwaste collection was \$170,000. Under the yardwaste contract the City collected over 6,000 Christmas trees curbside over a 4-week period in January 2008. Also, this year marked the 12 successive year of the Evergreen

Program whereby over 500 Christmas trees were collected at the Parks and Recreation facility in exchange for evergreen saplings.

#### Curbside Collection of White Goods

Also known as appliances or scrap metal the city provides for the curbside collection of washers, dryers, refrigerators, water heaters, stoves, computer monitors, TVs and air conditioners. Covered under the cost of collecting solid waste, Allied collected 302 tons of white goods. Under the contract, no rebates or revenue were realized from this process.

#### Collection of Condominium Waste

The City is in the last year of a 5-year contract with Capitol Waste Services for the weekly collection of household waste at approximately 5,700 condominiums and townhouse units. A total of 2,549 tons of solid waste were collected in front-loaded style 10-yard dumpsters. This tonnage is reflected in the total municipal solid waste tonnage in the first paragraph.

#### Collection of Condominium Recyclables

Capitol Waste contracted for the collection of recyclable paper only. Under the terms of that contract the city received \$0.00 in rebates or revenue for 193 tons of recyclable paper collected.

#### Dumpsters

In FY '08 the City spent \$61,284 for the use and service of 40-yard roll-off dumpsters placed in the DPW yard and at the Richard Koch Recreation Complex. The dumpsters are used to deposit waste collected around the city in the process street sweeping, litter control, waste collection in the parks and cemeteries, and refuse generated by the day-to-day operation of the DPW facilities.

In addition, over thirty, 2 to 10-yard dumpsters were maintained as part of the curbside collection cost at schools, fire and police stations, libraries, Housing Authority, and community centers across the city. While recycled paper only was collected at schools, no tonnage is available for either waste or recycling as these containers were then used in regular collection routes.

#### Public Barrels

Under the curbside collection of waste, the City maintains over 140 public waste receptacles in over 30 high-pedestrian traffic locations surrounding schools, businesses, and recreation areas apart from the jurisdiction of the Parks Department. This waste is generally collected in the early morning before regular routes begin. These same trucks are then deployed into the regular routine. Consequently, no data is available on tonnage.

#### Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days

The City hosted 2 household hazardous waste collection days. One on October 13, 2007 and the other on June 4, 2008. Free to residents, these events provide a point of collection of household hazardous material. The October '07 event cost \$7,556, serviced 174 vehicles and collected nearly 6,800 tons of hazardous material. The June '08 event cost \$10,456, serviced 242 cars and collected nearly 9,462 tons of household hazardous material.

#### Drop-off Facility

As an added convenience, the Department of Public Works operates a year-round drop-off facility in the rear yard of 55 Sea St. Here residents can dispose of recycling, yardwaste, scrap metal and hazardous material Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays mid-April through mid-December from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Also accepted are hazardous items not allowed in curbside collection like mercury containing florescent light bulbs, thermometers, and thermostats, car batteries, house batteries A,B,C, and D, Ni-Cad and Lithium batteries and empty propane gas containers.

#### Conclusion

This is a dynamic and challenging time period for the City of Quincy and for the new Mayor Thomas P. Koch. Rising fuel costs, high inflation and a steadily declining economy have put state and federal aide in jeopardy and most basic city services are back on the drawing board. Also, the rise in Third World economies like as China and India have stimulated other markets like recycling and scrap metal.

With the expiration of curbside collection contracts in three adjoining municipalities coinciding on 6/30/08, and the trash hauling and collection business fetching 20% increases, Mayor Koch invited the towns of Braintree and Weymouth to join forces in a collaborative Request For Proposal for the curbside collection of waste. The goal of the tri-town alliance is to exercise an economy of scale whereby the vendor must bid on all three towns to get three separate contracts.

Mayor Koch also requested that the tri-town representatives research Single Stream recycling. Under single stream, all recyclables are collected in one large container. This is a proven money saving strategy that has helped increase recycling tonnage and decrease solid waste tonnage in other surrounding communities. As an added bonus for the tri-town, changes in the commodities market dictates that we should realize a significant revenue stream for all recyclables and scrap iron for the first time.

Extensive outreach is planned for the schools, condos, apartment buildings and the City's administrative and service building to educate and encourage residents to utilize single stream recycling. Also special grants are available designed solely for collaborative efforts like the tri-town. With Quincy's population expected to break 90,000 residents in FY '09 and the cost of collection and disposal of waste slated to increase, it is the simple but formidable, measurable goal of waste management in Quincy to decrease solid waste disposal and increase recycling.



## HIGHWAY DIVISION

The Highway Division's primary responsibility within Public Works is the maintenance and repair of all its municipal roadways; including repair to municipal sidewalks, repair of trenches due to water main work and new hydrants, street sweeping, snow removal, litter cleanup and occasional labor assistance to support other city departments when needed.

In FY 2008 the Highway Division repaired 300 sidewalks. In early spring all sidewalk requests from residents, public officials and other City departments were field checked and rated. A rating was given to correspond with the condition of the sidewalk and a level of priority was assigned to each request. In addition to sidewalk repair the Highway Division has increased their efforts to address trenches that have been created from water main breaks. Two hundred trenches were repaired. The Highway Division also oversees sidewalk /trench repair work that is done by outside contractors to ensure the contractor has properly repaired any street or sidewalk opening.

During FY 2008 the snow and ice removal increased due to the inclement weather. The Highway Division provided a high level of service working many days and nights to keep roads free from snow and ice as well as heavily traveled sidewalks. Outside contractors were used to help support City snow plows.

This Spring, the Highway Division launched an aggressive Street Sweeping Schedule. In part to an early and stormy winter, many wards were not swept the previous fall. Under Mayor Koch and the direction of Public Works Commissioner Lawrence Prendeville the Highway Division began a responsive and timely Street Sweeping Plan. Under this new plan, the Highway Department's main focus was to inform and educate all residents to when their street would be swept. Schedules were printed in the Quincy Sun, Patriot Ledger, City of Quincy Website and Quincy Access Television (local cable). The Highway Department also placed sandwich signs in scheduled precincts that read "Street Sweeping in Area Today". Post cards were sent to residents letting them know when the sweepers would be in their area. All of the outreach done regarding sweeping allowed the Highway Division to clean our neighborhood streets of sand, salt and other winter debris. To maximize the sweeping effort and to complete sweeping on schedule the Highway Division contracted additional sweepers for several weeks to support the City sweepers. Street sweeping continues for the Central Business Districts as well as City events, parades or any area that becomes a concern.

Litter and debris cleanup was emphasized in Spring FY08. The Highway Division continually clears up debris left from automobile accidents to common litter violators. Laborers do the bulk of litter and debris cleanup from clearing city owned areas of debris to weeding public islands, sidewalks and grass borders. The Highway Division cleanup crews are always instrumental with the Cleaner Greener Day which is a community event held each year on the first Saturday in May. Many Public Works employees volunteered their time this year. Our cleanup crews also follow up after community events such as the Quincy center Sidewalk Festival, August Moon Festival, parades and other various events to ensure the areas are free of litter and debris. The

laborers in the Highway Division also assist other departments when necessary with the relocation of boxes, furniture etc.

During Summer months the Highway Division is assisted by students hired as seasonal help. Successful Summer projects in FY08 were the weeding and seasonal preparation of existing tree grates in the City as well as the removal of weeds, litter and debris.

## SEWER, WATER & DRAIN DIVISION

The Sewer, Water and Drain Division logged a total of 7569 calls between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. Each of these calls is considered emergency response situations. Calls are not necessarily responded to in a chronological order. The following share equal priority: a threat to public safety, loss of drinking water, loss of sanitary sewer and threat of property damage. On occasion more than one priority call will be pending. Priority is then given to the situation with the most potential damage. For example a water main break would be tended to prior to a service leak.

The following chart breaks down the calls by type and total number for the year.

Type of Service Performed	Total Number of Calls
Water Calls	1585
Miscellaneous Calls *	1923
Water Service Leaks	45
Water Main Breaks	51
Lead Water Services Replaced	22
Sanitary Sewer Repairs/Renewals	50
Catch Basins Cleaned	1772
Catch Basins Rebuilt	70
Flood Calls	722
Fire Hydrants Repaired / Replaced	95

- Miscellaneous calls include fallen trees, dead animals, potholes, police requests etc.

The meter division responded to 2147 calls. They installed 694 new meters with outside readers, repaired 9759 outside readers and tested 51 meters for accuracy.

In 2006, the Sewer Water & Drain Division instituted a Lead Service Replacement Program (LSRP). The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) mandated the LSRP. Under the program the City is required to replace 7% of known lead service connections between the street main and sidewalk. We have opted to take a more aggressive approach and hope to replace at least 10% of known lead service connections in their entirety, from the water main to the water meter in the house. In addition, the specifications for water main replacement require that the contractor replace all non-copper service connections from the main to the meter.

## Engineering Department

The Engineering Department receives numerous requests for technical services from various individuals, agencies, City Boards, and Departments, year round.

The Engineering Department is responsible for dealing with the public on many levels by maintaining a public service counter and handling complaints dealing with public facilities, surveying information and the city's infrastructure while working in conjunction with other city departments compiling data and reports.

## Pavement Management

The Koch Administration continues to make street and sidewalk rehabilitation a high priority for the DPW through the Engineering and Operations Departments. The long-term Pavement Management System for the city consists of data collection and data analysis of all streets. The Engineering Department has been utilizing the software since the 2004 construction season. After each construction season, the system is updated with the newly paved roads and twenty-five percent of the City streets revisited to keep the Pavement Management System current.

## Construction

The Engineering Department oversees and inspects all sidewalk, roadway, drainage and watermain construction in the City.

The following is a list of Public Works construction projects and their status:

### Quincy Shore Drive Sewer Watermain Improvement Phase II

Contractor's Name: Albanese

Contract Amount: \$2,954,651.00

% Complete: 100%

### 2007 Watermain Improvements

Contractor's Name: McLaughlin Bros. Contracting Corporation

Contract Amount: \$1,719,075.84

% Complete: 100%

### 2006 Watermain Improvements

Contractor's Name: Blume Construction

% Complete: 80%

### Edgewater Drive Sewer Rehabilitation Project

Contractor's Name: Aqualine Utility Project

Contract Amount: \$568,595.00

% Complete: 100%

### Carlisle Street Sewer & Water Main Improvements

Contractor's Name: RJV Construction Corp.  
Contract Amount: \$583,343.00  
% Complete: 100%

Fenno & Division Street Areas Sewer & Watermain Improvements  
Contractor's Name: RJV Construction Corporation  
Contract Amount: \$3,383,526.00  
% Complete: 100%

Road Improvement 2007  
Contractor's Name: D & R General Construction  
Contract Amount: \$1,187,674.00

Sidewalk Repairs Spring 2007  
Contractor's Name: Capone Bros., Inc.  
Contract Amount: \$950,658.00

Law Department  
Investigation and preparation of 20± accident claims and reports.

Inspectional Services  
Preparation of 27± building grade reports.

Zoning Board of Appeals  
Review and comment of 90± plans submitted for Zoning Board of Applications.

Quincy Police Department  
Assisted the Police Department with confirmation of 52± field distance reports for court cases. The Engineering Department also provides testimony in court as needed in regards to same.

City Councilors  
Responds to request from Councilors regarding roadway, sidewalk and drainage repairs.  
Attends community meetings with Councilors.

Assessors Office  
Maintains and updates assessors' plans and records for property transfers and subdivisions, building additions, new construction, demolition, etc.

Design  
Prepare contract plans and documents for various roadway reconstruction throughout the City.

Geographical Information System (GIS)  
The City now has the City's Water Distribution System, Zoning, Flood Plain, Assessors and Ward/Precinct layers on the GIS in addition to the original base layers. The City's

Drainage System has been added as well and is currently under final review by the City's engineering staff. We have also completed a contract for the development of a GIS website. This will allow citywide personnel as well as the general public to access and utilize the various GIS database layers as well as aerial flyover information – both of which are a very common request by city employees as well as the general public. We are awaiting final approval from the Mayor's office to go online with the website. The GIS also played an integral part in determining 40b compliance with the State. The GIS has proved to be a very useful tool in conjunction with the pavement management program as well. The Engineering Office is also in the process of creating computer generated assessors plans utilizing the GIS layer. We also have future plans to add the Sewer System to the GIS. The City is also due for another aerial flyover (generally done every five to ten years) to update our existing digital photographs (now 10 years old). This, as well as the Sewer System, will be done as funding becomes available. The GIS program is continuously being updated due to new construction, subdivisions and changes to existing layers.

#### Permits

Review and process 255± street opening permit applications. Review and process 51± curb cut applications.

#### Complaint Investigation and Report

Investigate, report and respond to the requests/complaints of roadway, sidewalk, drainage, seawalls and sewer repairs.

#### Community Rating System (CSR)

Enforce, undertake, and maintain flood plain management activities as required by Federal Emergency Management (FEMA). Those activities qualify Quincy residents for a 15 percent reduction on flood insurance premiums from the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Currently Quincy is one of the highest ranked local communities and receives the highest percent reduction allowed.

## **Information Technology**

Charles J. Phelan, DIRECTOR

### **Operations:**

The biggest changes of the year were setting up the fiber network between City Hall, Police, Fire HQ and Emergency Operations Center.

- 1). The new Emergency Operations Center was set up linking Police HQ, Fire HQ, and City Hall. Backup storer server was installed allowing offsite backup of police and fire servers. In next years budget we will be adding additional disk to backup city financials.
- 2). Installed new vision servers for the city's assessing software.
- 3). Installed new Honeywell server to help save the city money on energy.
- 4). Installed new Uninterruptible Power Supply.
- 5). Installed new building security system at Quincy Police including access control to all exterior and interior doors, and security cameras throughout the building.
- 6). Installed new digital cameras at city hall. Located outside the Treasurer's Office and Clerk's Office.
- 7). Installed new digital camera surveillance in cell block area 7/24 hours.

During the year 3 million images, (printed pages), were prepared on computer printing system, with a total of 24,000 individual print jobs. In addition 390,500,000 pages were printed for manuals, letterhead, booklets, postcards, and business cards. This resulted in thousands of dollars in savings for the city budget.

### **Some notable jobs:**

1. Water bills, tax bills and auto excise bills.
2. Check runs, including payroll and AP checks.
3. Beach Guides
4. Census
5. School report cards
6. Contact cards
7. Worked with Treasurer's Office to track, mail, and collect delinquent water bills

### **Software:**

- 1). Began installation of new fire dispatch. Both police and fire will be using the Q.E.D. server.
- 2). Setting up active directory on city e-mail for better security.
- 3). Install latest version of MUNIS with new updated budget module.
- 4). Wrote a new program for city census. Migrated off old IBM System to window server.
- 5). Began bid process for new city website.
- 6). Reconfigured all police sectors and RA, (Reporting Areas), for improved efficiency, response time, and patrol workload distribution.
- 7). Upgrade LAN and wireless software to CHSB, (Criminal History Systems). Latest software upgrade.

Personal Computer:

- 1). Received 863 requests for P/C and printer repairs.
- 2). Update F-Secure on antivirus program for P/C's.
- 3). Inventory current software licenses throughout the city.
- 4). Installed new laptops in Quincy patrol cruisers.
- 5). Update P/C and network at Emergency Operations Center in order to use for training classroom on city applications.

Telecommunications:

- 1). Reinstalled new billing using CD Bill Manager form Verizon. This allows the city to print out phone information on spread sheets.
- 2). Began full audit of phone system and found more than 150 lines no longer in use and cancelled. Found 24 old internet lines no longer in use and cut from phone bills. These changes will result in tens of thousands of dollars in savings for the city.
- 3). Received over 300 calls for moves and repairs to the city's phone system.
- 4). Install new I.P. base phone system in old Quincy High School for use in new Quincy High School. Resulted in savings.
- 5). Installed new IP based paging system in old high school . Replaced old paging system that was no longer in use.

## Department of Planning and Community Development

Dennis E. Harrington, Planning Director

### 2008 Annual Report

The Department of Planning and Community Development (PCD) was involved in several planning, community development, economic development, and housing initiatives during Fiscal Year 2007-2008. This report provides details on downtown redevelopment and other planning activities as well as the many housing, economic, and community development programs administered by PCD using federal, state and local funds.

#### I. HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

In FY 07-08, the Department of Planning and Community Development and Quincy-Weymouth HOME Consortium received the following funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to address critical housing and community development needs in Quincy:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)  
\$2,128,679
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) \$ 749,483
- Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) \$ 92,024
- McKinney Homeless Assistance \$2,067,130
- TOTAL  
\$5,037,316

The City and the Consortium also had the following funds available in FY 07-08:

- CDBG Funds \$4,005,647
- HOME Funds \$2,615,895
- Affordable Housing Trust Funds \$2,039,138
- HOME Program Income Funds \$ 133,498

In FY 07-08, the City of Quincy through the Department of Planning Community Development used HUD funds to successfully leverage over \$16.1 million in additional federal, state, local and private funds for critical economic development, housing, homeless and community development programs. Detailed leveraging information is as follows:

- Housing Rehabilitation Programs leveraged:  
\$190,784  
(FEMA, MassHousing, miscellaneous income, and homeowner funds)
- CHDO projects leveraged additional capital:  
\$2,642,789
- First Time Homebuyer's Program leveraged:



- 1st mortgage financing  
\$2,149,905
  - State Soft 2nd mortgages  
\$581,030
  - Mortgage subsidy  
\$82,001
  - Loan loss reserve funding  
\$17,431
  - The Quincy 2000 Collaborative Loan and Grant programs leveraged:
  - Private funds including bank loans  
\$50,000
  - Business owners and other private sources.  
\$50,000
  - Leveraged amounts for Public Services activities:  
\$1,048,297
  - Emergency Shelter Grant  
\$9,315,167
- (Other Federal, Local, Private, and Other Sources)
- TOTAL  
\$16,127,404

## II. PLANNING BOARD

### Revision of the Planning Board Rules and Regulations

In May 2007, the City of Quincy amended its rules and regulations for submittal applications to the Planning Board. The revised site plan and subdivision rules and regulations set up uniform timelines for review, notifications, and appeals, and specify clear requirements for submittals. Furthermore, an important component of this amendment is the establishment of a project review fee for applications deemed by the Planning Board to require the expertise of an outside consultant. Under 53G and in accordance with 30B, the City has now established a list of pre-qualified consultants available for use by the Planning Board to review work for Site Plan review and Subdivision review.

On May 9, 2007, the Quincy Planning Board adopted new rules and regulations that outline a requirement for developers to provide information on their “green” building techniques in their applications for project permits. These techniques include the use of Low Impact Site design with regard to water management, parking surfaces, and indigenous landscape plans.

### Continuing Education for Planners, Boards and Residents

Four Planning Department staff members attended training sessions at the National Community Development Organization Conference in September 2007, held in Burlington, VT. All five Planning Board members became members of the American Planning Association in August 2007, with privileges to use APA resources online, participate in study groups and to receive training CD-ROM materials. The City of

Quincy provides technical assistance workshops and seminars on a regular basis to residents, non-profits, and city departments. In 2005-2007 these included three yearly technical assistance workshops for HUD sub-recipients, an annual fair housing workshop either for landlords, renters, or real estate agents/bankers, homeless awareness initiatives, first time homebuyer workshops, and lead paint training for contractors and homeowners.

### III. DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION INITIATIVES & OTHER PLANNING ACTIVITIES

#### Downtown Revitalization Initiatives

Beginning in 2003, the City of Quincy has actively moved forward with initiatives and programs aimed at revitalizing the historic downtown. Accomplishments include an extensive public outreach campaign consisting of several public forums and two planning charrettes, the adoption of new Quincy Center Zoning Districts, the completion of the Quincy Center Design Guidelines and Quincy Downtown Vision and Framework Strategy with the help of Goody, Clancy Associates.

Using the Quincy Downtown Vision, Framework and Strategy as a guide, the City has embarked on a series of initiatives to establish the policy and regulatory process for redevelopment as well as set forth a series of public improvements that together with private investment will transform Quincy Center into a thriving 21st Century City.

#### Quincy Center Urban Revitalization District Plan (URDP)

On July 6, 2007, The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) approved the Quincy Center Urban revitalization District Plan (URDP). This URDP establishes the Quincy Center Urban Revitalization District (the "Project Area"), a 55-acre urban renewal area, comprising a portion of the new Quincy Center District. It identifies two large City-owned parcels, the Hancock Parking Lot and the Ross Garage that the City will dispose of to stimulate private redevelopment. This plan will also give the City the ability to negotiate directly with potential developers for the redevelopment of these parcels, and will also provide a mechanism for acquiring select parcels necessary to accomplish redevelopment objectives.

Finally, it identifies certain public actions necessary to make the Quincy Center URD a more pedestrian-friendly area, with streetscape improvements, new open space elements and traffic calming measures at key intersections. The Plan embodies the principals of the Downtown Vision Plan and has received critical input from a citizens advisory committee created to ensure that the public's vision for the downtown, first formulated during the community workshops, is carried through to this URDP.

## Quincy Center District Improvement Financing (DIF) Invested Revenue Plan

On July, 10 2007, the Massachusetts Economic Assistance Coordinating Council (EACC) approved the Quincy Center District Improvement Financing (DIF) Development and Invested Revenue Plan. For purposes of completing the Quincy Center DIF application, the City developed three redevelopment/bonding scenarios and requested an initial bonding authority of \$30 million based on the city-owned Hancock Lot redevelopment opportunity. The following are brief descriptions of each scenario.

### 1. Full Buildout

Downtown improved with 7.8 million S.F. of mixed building area over 30-year period  
Potential \$20 million increase in tax revenue.

City could leverage up to \$160 million in bonding.

### 2. Urban Renewal Plan Buildout

Redevelopment of three major sites in downtown; Hancock Lot, Ross Garage, and the expansion of Stop & Shop Company Headquarters.

Redevelopment would more than double the taxable base of \$285 million in FY 2006.

City could leverage up to \$59 million in bonding.

### 3. Hancock Lot Redevelopment

Consists of 400 residential condominiums with 50,000 S.F. of retail space and garage parking for 750 cars.

100% project build-out would result in up to \$48 million in bonding capacity.

## Other Planning Activities

PCD staff provided support to several Boards and committees including the Planning Board, Historical Commission, Fair Housing Committee, Board on Homelessness, Affordable Housing Trust, and the Leadership Council on Chronic Homelessness.

## Brewer's Corner Neighborhood Revitalization Plan

The City of Quincy Department of Planning and Community Development completed the Brewer's Corner Neighborhood Improvement Plan in early 2007. The purpose of this plan is to set forth a series of goals and objectives intended to catalyze private investment and to enhance the overall fabric of the Brewer's Corner neighborhood. This plan will be carried out in accordance with the City of Quincy's Urban Revitalization District Policy (URDP), which provides definitions of slum and blighted conditions consistent with Community Development Block Grant Regulations.

## Municipal Energy Saving Program

In May of 2007, the City of Quincy signed a 20-year agreement with Honeywell International, making Quincy the first City in the State to use the new law that encourages energy reduction by a new way to finance such projects. Honeywell's work, begun during the summer of 2007, includes a variety of energy reducing features in the

city's public schools, city hall, and other municipal buildings. Below is a description of some of the plan's milestones since last summer.

- Replacement of existing fluorescent lighting in all city and school buildings;
- Installation of low -flow toilets, urinal valves, and faucet restrictors in all city and school buildings.
- Rebuilding of thermostatic steam traps and the replacement of the non-thermostatic traps in all city and school buildings.
- Improvement of the envelope in city and school buildings, which include caulking and weather stripping of windows and doors, installation of insulation in the ceilings, and replacement of many windows.

With these features in place, Honeywell anticipates the City will consume 25% less electricity, 27% less heating oil, and 35% less water. As a result, yearly carbon dioxide emissions will drop by nearly 3,000 tons and ozone depleting gases by 15 tons: the equivalent to planting 825 acres of trees or taking 440 cars off the road. The \$32.8 million loan will be paid for by energy savings and increased water revenue over twenty years.

#### Preserving Coastal Resources

Quincy has capitalized on the significant progress made in the cleanup of Boston Harbor. With substantial improvements in water quality, the City is actively encouraging residents to head "back to the beaches." Through the Quincy Beaches and Coastal Commission, the City is promoting public awareness and environmental stewardship to ensure the newly restored coastal treasures are sustained for current and future generations. The Commission has sponsored numerous events on city-owned beaches, publishes an annual Quincy Beach Guide, and is also spearheading the Coastal Heritage Trail project, which will link Quincy to the NPS Boston Harbor Islands. Additionally, in spring 2007 the City forged a partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs to create a "no discharge zone" for boat waste in Quincy harbor.

#### Rehabilitation of Coastal Marshes Program

Since 1998, Quincy has been working with federal agencies (NOAA, National Marine Fisheries, EPA), state agencies (CZM, Division of Marine Fisheries, DCR-Division of Waterways, Norfolk County Mosquito Control), and private groups (Corporate Wetlands Partnership, Conservation Law Foundation) to restore over 300 acres of wetlands. During 2005-2006, Norfolk Mosquito Control designed an open water management plan. Other funded work includes road and bridge infrastructure improvements. Since 2005, \$70,000.00 has been spent on the Mallard Street area of Post Island Marsh. Work is continuing on Billings Creek as well as the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Marshes in Hough's Neck. Neponset Riverwalk Task Force: Audubon Report In cooperation with the City of Boston, Town of Milton, and the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the City of Quincy will continue to support efforts to preserve and enhance the natural qualities of the river system while increasing public access. The Riverwalk Task Force meets on a regular basis to design conceptual plans

for a trail along the Quincy side of the Neponset River. In June 2007, Jeffrey Collins, Director of Mass Audubon's Ecological Extension Service, presented his report on existing conditions, opportunities and constraints of the study area to the River Walk Task Force. The River Walk will connect Wollaston Beach to Marina Bay and Marina Bay to Milton along the Neponset River. The report, paid for by a March 2007 grant from the Commonwealth's Riverways Program, focused on the area between the Adam's Inn on Hancock Street and Wollaston Beach.

#### Consistency with Regional Planning

The Planning Department participates in the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) Inner Core Committee (ICC). The ICC consists of twenty-four cities and towns within the metropolitan Boston area. Because they are many of the most urban and populous areas within the MAPC planning area, Inner Core communities deal with a host of unique challenges common throughout the ICC area. Given the complexity of issues facing these communities, the Inner Core Committee is a forum through which issues of mutual concern are explored and joint and cooperative action fostered.

MetroFuture is a bold and achievable plan to make a Greater Boston Region – to better the lives of the people who live and work in Metropolitan Boston between now and 2030. The City of Quincy continued to participate in the MetroFuture Regional Plan that is an initiative of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. On May 28, 2008 MetroFuture growth scenario and goals was adopted as the official regional plan for Metro Boston.

The MetroFuture plan is built on a positive and inclusive vision for a Greater Boston Region. That vision, created by the thousands of people who have participated in the process, reflects the special character of Metro Boston and the diverse values of the people who live and work here. The 65 specific goals of MetroFuture define how this plan would balance the various elements of that vision, and the objectives associated with each goal will allow the region to assess whether we are moving toward a brighter future. To view regional statistics, current planning efforts, or to get involved, visit [www.MAPC.org](http://www.MAPC.org).

## IV. HOUSING PROGRAMS

### HOME Consortium Expansion

In 1992 the City of Quincy and the Town of Weymouth joined forces and formed the Quincy/Weymouth HOME Consortium under the U.S. Department of HUD's HOME Program. In that time the consortium has received a total of more than \$11 million in yearly entitlement grants to address affordable housing needs in Quincy and Weymouth through grant and loan assistance for residents wishing to purchase a home through the First Time Homebuyers Program, for non-profit and for-profit affordable housing developers for the acquisition/creation of affordable housing units, and low-moderate income homeowners in need of housing rehabilitation.

In 2007, after much success, the Quincy/Weymouth Consortium reached out to its neighbors to determine if there is interest from those communities to join the Consortium. After several meetings with representatives from the different communities, the towns of Braintree, Milton, and Holbrook agreed to join the Quincy/Weymouth HOME Consortium starting in Federal Fiscal Year 2009 (July 1, 2009).

Each new community will now receive yearly entitlement grants from the U.S. Department of HUD through the Quincy/Weymouth Consortium to develop housing programs in their communities. Over 16 years of experience implementing housing programs through the HOME Program by the City of Quincy and Town of Weymouth will be made available to Braintree, Holbrook and Milton as they develop their own housing programs to address the homebuyer, homeowner, and affordable housing production needs in their communities.

#### Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)

The City worked with its CHDOs to develop affordable housing for low/moderate income households as follows:

- The City of Quincy expended \$50,000 of HOME funds for acquisition/rehabilitation activities for an eleven-unit rental property located at 356 Washington Street. Units are single room occupancy (SRO) rental units for individuals. The nine (9) of these units were funded with HOME funds and would be required to meet HOME guidelines. These units are owned and managed as affordable housing by Neighborhood Housing Services of the South Shore. Father Bills & MainSpring, Inc. provided referral and support services.
- The City of Quincy expended \$166,796.58 of the \$228,670 in HOME funding for moderate rehabilitation activities for an eight (8) unit single room occupancy building located at 17 Elm Street. Rehabilitation activities will modify the floor plan that will create an additional unit to the project.
- The City of Quincy expended \$500,000 in HOME funding towards acquisition/rehabilitation activities for a seventeen (17) unit affordable housing project located at 20 Holmes Street. Eleven of the units will be designated as HOME units and will be subject to HOME Program guidelines.
- The City of Quincy expended \$84,703 in HOME funding for moderate rehabilitation activities of an eight (8) unit single room occupancy building located at 191 Burgin Parkway.
- The City of Quincy earmarked \$375,000 in HOME funding for moderate rehabilitation activities of a five (5) unit development. The units will be earmarked as family housing.

#### First Time Homebuyers Program

The City of Quincy worked closely with Quincy Community Action Program (QCAP) and Neighborhood Housing Services of the South Shore (NHS) to educate low and moderate-income households about First Time Home Buyer opportunities.

During FY 07-08, Quincy's First Time Homebuyer's Program experienced a decline in the number of applications submitted for approval. Due in large part to housing market forces and the tightening credit standards, no qualified applicants moved forward with the purchase of a home. Through the Massachusetts Housing Partnership Soft-Second Program, twelve (12) homebuyers were given reduced mortgage rates and favorable terms.

### Inclusionary Zoning

In FY 07-08, the City of Quincy continued to implement its Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance (IZO), which was passed in 2001. The order established an Affordable Housing Trust Fund Committee as a way to oversee all disbursement of funds and to monitor properties for compliance of the ordinance. The order required that any development of 10 or more units that necessitated a variance or a special permit must provide 10% of the units as affordable units to low-moderate income households. The affordable units could be developed either on the site of the original development or at another location. Developers could also provide 50% of 10% of the construction cost of all units developed, in lieu of on-site units.

Accomplishments for FY 07-08 include:

- Financially, Affordable Housing Trust Fund received \$44,892.90 from the Adams Landing Condominiums, as they have sold more than 50% of their units.(The remaining funds that they owe in lieu of affordable units will be paid as additional units are sold).
- We also received \$10,270 from Squantum Gardens, LLC as part of their TIF agreement with the City, for a total of \$55,162.90 received from past agreements.
- The Affordable Housing Trust Fund Committee lent \$300,000 to Neighborhood Housing Services to purchase a 17-room SRO. \$500,000 in HOME funds was used for this project. Eleven of the units are affordable and are/will be provided to tenants under 80% of median income.
- The Affordable Housing Trust Fund Committee voted to lend \$150,000 to QCAP for rehabilitation activities associated with the creation 5 rental units at 388 Granite Street. \$375,000 in HOME funds were also committed for this project.
- Neponset Landing was successfully marketed and 28 rental units have been occupied by new tenants who are under 80% of median income.
- The Affordable Housing Trust Fund Committee is marketing 2 affordable for-sale units on Des Moines Road that will be reported in FY 2008.

By the end of FY 07-08, the Affordable Housing Trust Fund had a balance of \$2,039,138.23 generated by "fee in lieu of unit" payments plus interest earned in this account. The City, through the Affordable Housing Trust Committee, is currently exploring options for using the funds.

### Fair Housing Programs and Initiatives

During FY 07-08, the City implemented various activities to overcome the effects of impediments to fair housing. Outreach efforts that specifically target minority and disadvantaged populations were conducted through programs directed at these groups

and the use of advertisements in local printed media and cable television. The City funded public service activities that were designed to benefit women, Asians and other minorities, the handicapped and other disadvantaged groups. Efforts included:

- The City of Quincy provided \$9,500 of CDBG funds to Quincy Community Action Plan (QCAP) for a Fair Housing Counseling Program. QCAP assisted and educated 370 Quincy households, of which 213 were extremely low-income persons, 53 were low-income persons, and 52 were moderate-income persons. Of all households assisted, 215 were female head of household, 193 were White; 46 were Black/African; 40 were Asian; 1 was American Indian/Alaskan Native; and the remaining beneficiaries were either Hispanic, multi-racial, or did not indicate race.
- The Quincy Fair Housing Committee developed an educational flyer on "Mortgage Foreclosure Counseling" for homeowners that could be at risk of losing their home. The flyer provided contact information for local agencies that provide housing counseling services and was distributed throughout the community.
- The Quincy Fair Housing Committee sponsored a Foreclosure Clinic, organized by Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS), directed at those who are at risk of foreclosure. Five trained counselors assisted 12 households.
- The Quincy Fair Housing Committee sponsored a Mortgage Foreclosure Forum organized by Quincy Community Action Programs (QCAP). More than 80 homeowners and housing industry professionals listened to local, state, and federal officials on the widening foreclosure crisis and learn about resources that are available to combat the growing number of foreclosures.

#### Housing Rehabilitation Program

The City, through its Office of Housing Rehabilitation (OHR) and Neighborhood Housing Services of the South Shore (NHS) continued to implement handicapped accessibility, lead paint, flood elevation and retrofitting, and regular homeowner and tenant occupied housing rehabilitation.

In FY 07-08, the City continued to use these programs to help preserve the existing affordable housing stock, and to improve the health, safety, and welfare of the public. During this fiscal year, the City expended a total of \$538,525 of CDBG, HOME, Miscellaneous income and private funds to undertake the rehabilitation of 29 single family owner-occupied, and 13 renter occupied units.

Neighborhood Housing Services of the South Shore rehabilitated 24 low-moderate income units using \$132,287 CDBG and HOME funds of which \$117,387 were from the revolving loan account and other miscellaneous funds.

#### Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Mitigation Programs

##### Pre-Disaster Mitigation 2005

The City of Quincy was awarded a FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation grant in January 2006. This grant provides funds to the City of Quincy for the implementation of cost-effective mitigation projects prior to a disaster event, including housing elevation and retrofitting of utilities in coastal and riverine areas. Eligible applicants may qualify to



be reimbursed up to 75% of the total allowable construction costs -- up to a maximum reimbursement of \$20,000 per homeowner project. Seventeen (17) households were approved for the 2005 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program. Two (2) households completed the program during FY 07-08. The 2005 Pre-Disaster Program will expire in December 2008. The maximum grant award eligible to the City of Quincy during the contract period is \$473,640.

#### Flood Mitigation Assistance 2005

The City of Quincy was awarded another FEMA Mitigation grant in March 2006. This new program, known as Flood Mitigation Assistance 2005, provides funds to assist States and communities in implementing measures to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insurable under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Eligible applicants may qualify to be reimbursed up to 75% of the total allowable construction costs -- up to a maximum reimbursement of \$20,000 per homeowner project. Seven (7) households were approved for the 2005 Flood Mitigation Assistance Program. One (1) household completed the program during FY 07-08. This program expired in March 2008. The maximum grant award available to the City of Quincy during the contract period was \$169,400.

#### Flood Mitigation Assistance 2007

The City of Quincy was awarded yet another Flood Mitigation Assistance grant in September 2007. This program has the same regulations as the FMA 2005 program. Seven (7) households were approved for the 2007 Flood Mitigation Assistance Program. This program expires in September 2009. The maximum grant award available to the City of Quincy during the contract period is \$132,525.

## V. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### Public Service Programs

In FY 2007-2008, the City of Quincy continued to implement critical public service programs to benefit low and moderate-income persons, and made substantial progress in program delivery for high priority needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. Programs for the elderly, youths, families, the homeless, immigrants, handicapped, and economically disadvantaged individuals and households were undertaken in neighborhood centers and public facilities throughout the city. Quincy expended \$350,732 to undertake public services programs during the year, and a total of 10,438 persons were reported as having benefited from these programs. Of this number, 3,760 persons or 36% reported a minority race or ethnicity.

### Public Works and Neighborhood Improvements

The 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan states that the City will utilize CDBG funds for the engineering, design, and construction of infrastructure improvements (drainage, resurfacing, sidewalk repairs, etc.) on four streets in various low-moderate

neighborhoods. Infrastructure improvements are identified and prioritized in accordance with the City's Pavement Management Plan (PMP). The City is in the process of identifying neighborhood infrastructure needs for FY 2008-2009.

#### Public Facility Improvements

Public facilities that serve primarily low to moderate-income persons received rehabilitation funds in FY 2007-2008, as specified by high priority needs in the FY 2004-2009 Consolidated Plan assessment. The total expenditure, including program delivery amounted to \$43,627.

Public Facilities assisted included:

##### St. Boniface/Germantown Neighborhood Center

On August 21, 2007, the City of Quincy celebrated the grand opening of the new Germantown Neighborhood Center. Located in cramped quarters at the Snug Harbor Elementary School for the past 25 years, the Center has been able to provide a variety of support services to the areas families where the percentage of people living in poverty is greater than in the rest of the City. In 2006, the City purchased from the Catholic Archdiocese of Boston the former St. Boniface Church with the intent to make it the new home of the Germantown Neighborhood Center. A true barn-raising effort on the 11,000 square foot church, the \$1,300,000 project was paid for with CDBG funds, a major grant from State Street Bank, fundraising by the YMCA, and donated services from Shesky Architects and members of the South Shore Building Trades Council, as well as the individual contributions of many residents and benefactors. Along with the relocation of the local food pantry to the site, the Neighborhood Center will be looking to expand its hours of operation and add new services for the estimated 1,600 Quincy families that visit the Center.

##### North Quincy Neighborhood Center

A bookmobile garage attached to the North Quincy Branch Library has been converted into a new neighborhood center (October 2007). Managers will be developing a series of programs both on their own and with the Library staff.

##### Manet Community Health Center Rehabilitation Project

The City of Quincy in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development worked with Manet Community Health Center (Manet), a nonprofit health services provider, to rehabilitate their main health center in North Quincy. Manet serves the broad health needs of South Shore residents, as a multi-site community based health center, Manet provides a wide-range of services for the medically underserved. The rehabilitation project was completed in May 2008 and entailed the replacement of outdated windows, repairs to the roof, and associated carpentry, painting and patchwork.

## Germantown Boardwalk to the River

During FY 2007-2008, the City of Quincy partnered with the Quincy Housing Authority, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Norfolk County, the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game's Office of Fishing and Boating Access, the Quincy Beaches and Coastal Commission, several local trade unions and non-profit entities, to construct an elevated boardwalk in the Germantown neighborhood. This project will provide enhanced beach access and will facilitate more recreational opportunities for the low/moderate-income residents of the Germantown neighborhood. The ribbon cutting ceremony for the Germantown Boardwalk to the River will be held in early October.

## Code Enforcement Activities

In FY 07-08, an expenditure of \$50,711.27 was made to pay the salary and benefits of a Code Enforcement Officer. The Code Enforcement Officer inspected 647 residential properties in low and moderate-income neighborhoods that were reported as having code violations; 348 of these cases were closed.

## Planning and Administration

During FY 2007-2008, the City of Quincy expended \$543,748 for planning and administration costs associated with managing the City's CDBG, HOME, ESG and McKinney grants. The total amount was expended for overall grant oversight, various research activities and the monitoring of sub-recipients.

## Economic Development Programs Through the Quincy 2000 Collaborative

Quincy 2000 Collaborative helps businesses thrive. It's a private, non-profit economic development corporation that unites Quincy's public and private sectors in a common economic development mission. Working together, business and government leaders promote Quincy's economic vitality and make the city an exceptional place to live, work, invest, and visit.

Since 1992, Quincy 2000 Collaborative has played a vital role in attracting new business to the city and helping existing businesses grow. Services provided include improving the business landscape with sign and façade improvements, fostering neighborhood business district partnerships, and providing technical and financial support for new and emerging businesses through the Quincy 2000 Collaborative Loan Pool.

A true public/private partnership, the organization today is proud to have membership from a wide cross section of industries, labor and business groups as well as city officials.

Quincy 2000 Collaborative expended a total of \$33,760 in FY 07-08 for economic development activities. These activities were designed to foster overall City economic growth in older commercial centers that were subject to economic disinvestment and

the loss of businesses and jobs. Listed below are the three programs administered through the Quincy 2000 Collaborative and their results:

- Technical Assistance to Micro-enterprises

In FY 07-08, Quincy 2000 Collaborative expended \$5,500 to provide individual counseling services to 11 low and moderate-income individuals/micro-enterprises. With these funds individuals attending twelve business meetings normally conducted during the year were offered personal one-on-one assistance sessions for starting or expanding micro-enterprises businesses. In addition, the organization co-sponsored workshops and seminars with the UMass Small Business Development Center and Small Business Administration that provided assistance to low mod individuals interested in starting or expanding a business. As a result of this support three (3) businesses were opened in the City.

- Technical Assistance for Job Creation

In FY 07-08, Quincy 2000 Collaborative expended \$14,000 for businesses that need technical assistance or funds in exchange for creating jobs available to low mod individuals. The business owners agreed to create or retain full time equivalent (FTE) jobs. Of these jobs 51% have to be filled or made available to low mod income individuals. Technical Assistance to 7 businesses this year resulted in the creation of at least 5 FTE for low and moderate-income individuals.

- Quincy 2000 Loan Pool – Job Creation

In FY 07-08, the Quincy 2000 Collaborative expended \$14,260 to help 7 individuals find financing, which will result in the creation of new jobs. Two individuals received financing directly though the Collaborative. One \$50,000 loan was given through the Quincy 2000 Collaborative Loan Pool, while the CDBG Loan Program provided the other \$50,000 loan. This resulted in the creation of 2 (FTE) Full Time Equivalent jobs from this program.

Quincy 2000 Collaborative continues to reach out to low and moderate-income people who want to expand their small business or have a great desire to start one. Technical Assistance and or funds also are available to all who are willing to create jobs of which more than half would be available to low-moderate income individuals.

For more information on Quincy 2000 Collaborative visit [www.Quincy2000.org](http://www.Quincy2000.org).

### Quincy Economic Target Area

The City of Quincy is proud to be the lead community in the formation of the Quincy Economic Target Area (ETA), which provides economic incentives to encourage the development of commercial and industrial properties in a ETA member community. The Massachusetts Economic Development Incentive program (EDIP) uses solid incentives to stimulate job creation, attract new businesses, encourage the expansion of existing businesses, and assist in infrastructure improvements in economically targeted areas. The program offers substantial financial incentives to businesses expanding or locating in designated ETAs, including investment tax credits, building and municipal tax incentives, substantial property tax savings and more. The Quincy ETA includes 12

communities: Braintree, Canton, Dedham, Hingham, Hull, Needham, Norwood, Quincy, Randolph, Stoughton, Westwood, and Weymouth.

#### Community Development Week 2008

The City of Quincy, through PCD, was pleased to once again participate in National Community Development (CD) Week, which was recognized from March 24-28, 2008.

Highlights of Quincy's participation in CD Week 2008 included the grand opening of the North Quincy Community Center and the dedication of an affordable housing project called the Sensation House, located on Washington Street.

The North Quincy Community Center will be used for a variety of youth, community, family, and senior programs. The shell of this new community center was previously used as the garage for the bookmobile of Quincy's public library system.

The Sansitini House is a former eleven-unit rooming house, which has been converted into ten units of housing, operating under a modified "housing first" model, with a live-in manager in the eleventh unit. In attendance at this event were Taylor Caswell, New England Regional Director of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as well as an estimated one hundred individuals, ranging from the local business community, religious community, locally-elected officials, community center directors, and neighborhood representatives. Also in attendance was Congressman William D. Delahunt.

The City of Quincy also hosted eight additional events during CD Week 2008. These events included a senior aerobics class; "Focus on Fitness" seminar; "Happy Birthday" Inter-generational social; Parent-to-Parent playgroup; after-school enrichment program; and a sewing class. These events were held at five separate community centers throughout the city. During CD Week, the City also hosted the celebration of a recently dedicated affordable housing project, known as "Porteus House".

The City of Quincy received national recognition for its participation in CD Week. The recognition came in the form of the John A. Sasso National Community Development Week Award, which was presented to members of PCD at an awards ceremony in Pittsburgh, PA on June 19, 2008, hosted by the National Community Development Association. The award recognized the City for exemplifying the "true spirit" of the Community Development Block Grant program by showcasing the City's "good works" during the events of CD Week 2008.

#### VI. HOMELESS PROGRAMS

##### Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)

The Emergency Shelter Grant of \$92,024 was awarded to Father Bills & MainSpring, Inc. (FBM). FBM used these funds to provide emergency shelter and support services for the homeless in the region. A total of 1,150 unduplicated individuals were served under this program during FY 07-08.

## Continuum of Care/Board on Homelessness – Actions to Prevent Homelessness

The Quincy Continuum of Care process was established in 1996 to apply for Federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance funding through the “Continuum of Care” competitive application grant program. Since 1996, the Consortium through the PCD has successfully secured \$14,672,216 of McKinney funds for programs that serve the homeless population in the Quincy/Weymouth area.

The Quincy-Weymouth Continuum of Care represents local government, businesses, faith organizations, formerly homeless persons, and service providers who work together to coordinate all efforts taking place within the continuum to address the issues of homelessness. In this structure, the City of Quincy is the lead entity, supported by the Town of Weymouth and the local Homelessness Board that is made up of local businesses, service providers, faith organizations, and formerly homeless persons.

In December 2007, the Consortium was awarded \$2,067,130 under the 2007 McKinney Program administered by HUD. These new grant funds will assist agencies located throughout Quincy and Weymouth in providing housing and services for the homeless. Specific details of these new grant funds may be found in the City of Quincy and Quincy/Weymouth Consortium Action Plan for FY 2008-2009.

## Ending Chronic Homelessness

The Quincy Leadership Council on Chronic Homelessness continued to work towards implementing the following key recommendations of Quincy’s 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness:

1. Develop a “zero-tolerance” policy toward inappropriate discharges into homelessness by state agencies and systems of care.
2. Implement a “Housing First” model that favors permanent housing with supportive services over emergency shelter beds.
3. Increase the supply of such permanent housing by 10-12 units per year over the course of 10 years.
4. Help homeless individuals achieve self-sufficiency through job/vocational training and job placement services.

During FY 07-08, the Leadership Council took the following actions:

- The Leadership Council sponsored a press conference on September 27, 2008, at the former women’s shelter on the grounds of St. John’s Parish in Quincy Center. The shelter had been run by Fr. Bill’s Place. The shelter was closed permanently due to the success of Quincy’s 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness. The guest speaker at the event was Philip Mangano, Executive Director of the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness.

- The Council began to make preparations to transform itself into a regional organization, working in partnership with government officials from Braintree and Weymouth.

## VII. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

PCD continued to implement performance measurement systems for its grant-funded programs. Measuring and reporting the positive changes achieved by these programs, such as improved access to quality health care, increased job opportunities, safer neighborhood streets and enhanced life skills for mentally challenged adults, to name a few, renders a compelling story of the critical importance of these programs not only to low income residents but the entire City of Quincy.

For a complete listing of the performance results for all funded programs, please see the City of Quincy Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for FY 07-08 on file in the Department of Planning and Community Development.

## Veterans' Services

Henry P. Bradley, DIRECTOR

### 2008 VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

"At the heart of my politics has always been the value of community, the belief that we are not merely individuals struggling in isolation from each other, but members of a community who depend on each other, who benefit from each other's help, who owe obligations to each other. From that everything stems: solidarity, social justice, equality, freedom."

Tony Blair

The Veterans' Services Department of the City of Quincy values our veterans' community. We are available to meet the needs of our veterans and their families through MGL 108 Chapter 115. We assist those who are unemployed, underemployed, disabled, retired or ill. We also assist with the filing of VA Service Connected and Non Service Connected pensions. We are able to assist our veterans' community with the filing for medical care, housing loans, educational training, burial and survivor benefits information.

The demographics of our veterans' community has greatly changed over the past few years. This year we have assisted 19 World War II veterans-three who are women veterans; 17 Veterans of the Korean War; 50 Vietnam veterans; 10 Gulf War veterans; 25 peacetime veterans; 35 widows; 10 families with children and 2 parents of veterans.

The staff of Quincy Veterans' Services consists of Director Henry P. Bradley; Graves Registration Officer Thomas Stansbury; Administrative Support Staff Marianne McCormack and Elizabeth Coughlin.

Under the Chapter 115 program:

The clients receiving benefits  
156

Total benefits distributed.....\$679,057.04  
Reimbursement from DVS at 75%.....\$509,292.78

The total inquiries to this Department

Office visits by veterans seeking information or assistance on  
medical care, housing, VA loans, pensions and  
financial assistance.....2154

Nursing home  
visits.....27

Quincy Gold Star Parents, Spouses and 100%  
Disabled Veterans receiving the annual \$2000.00  
Annuity from the Commonwealth .....143  
Total amount received from Annuity.....\$286,000.00  
Total number of Quincy Veterans/dependents  
receiving VA benefits..... 73



Total amount of VA benefits received by Quincy Veterans (Service Connected, retired, A & A, DIC).....\$9,300,00  
0.00

The Guest Speaker for Veterans' Day was Mary Beth O'Sullivan, Director of the Upward Bound Program at U. Mass and a Navy Veteran, and on Memorial Day, we were honored to have Captain Maurice Dumas, Retired US Coast Guard and current Chairman of the Board at the Brighton Marine Health Center as our Guest Speaker.

Between Thanksgiving and Christmas, this office, with the support of the community, distributed more than 20 baskets of food to needy veterans and their families. Toys were distributed to the 4 clients with children. Gift cards for Stop & Shop were given to all current clients.

On Sept. 27, 2007, Army Specialist Ciara Durkin died at Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan. This office assisted the city and the family with the funeral arrangements.

On April 29, 2008, a Square on the corner of Elm St and Miller Stile Road was dedicated to 1st Lt. Thomas Chiminella, a Quincy resident who was killed in action (KIA) on Oct. 29th, 1967 in Vietnam.

This summer we lost a dear friend and valued colleague, Francis McMorro who was the Director of the Sheila McIntire House from its inception. He was a friend to all veterans and will be sorely missed.

Henry Bradley and Elizabeth Coughlin are in the process of completing a Traumatic Brain Injury Specialist Training Program with Francesca LaVecchia, PhD-the chief Neuropsychologist, Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission.

The City of Quincy paid for 10 funerals of indigent veterans.

This office assisted 45 veterans from the Police Academy and 63 veterans from the Fire Academy with their applications for the GI College money while they were in Apprenticeship w/ Public Safety program.

Eleven applications were taken for our Seniors for Aid and Attendance-a VA program which allows seniors financial assistance for their medical issues.

Work continues on establishing a database of all veterans buried in the city cemeteries by several young volunteers performing their community service work.

The Director of Quincy Veterans' Services, Henry "Hank" Bradley did his last "run" as "Santa" in the Christmas Parade that ended 36 years as "Santa" with the last 13 in the parade.

We appreciate the continued support from Mayor Thomas Koch, the City Council and the citizens of Quincy in aiding our veterans. May God Bless America!

2008 ANNUAL REPORT OF GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER  
VETERANS DECEASED DURING THE YEAR:

World War II.....	100
World War II & Korea.....	6
Korean.....	32
Korean & Vietnam.....	4
Vietnam.....	23
Lebanon.....	0
Granada.....	0
Panama.....	0
Persian Gulf.....	1
Peacetime.....	3
Burials in Quincy Veterans' Lot.....	11
Burials in Quincy Cemeteries.....	50
Burials Outside of Quincy.....	80
Burials in Bourne National Cemetery.....	28
Deceased Veterans Cards Filed in Veterans Dept.....	169
Total burial records in Computer files.....	9654
Flags Placed on all Veterans' Graves.....(approx)	7486
Squares flagged in Quincy.....	80
Memorials flagged in Quincy.....	34
Applications for Government Markets.....	53
Government Markers installed in Quincy.....	49
Bronze Flag Holders Repaired.....	70

Attended all Cemetery and Veterans' Council Meetings

## **Quincy Recreation Department**

Barry J. Welch, DIRECTOR

Annual Report

FY 2008

July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

### **Step Up to Health**

Quincy on the Go...A Healthy Place to Live! In fiscal year 2008, the Quincy Recreation Department developed this grassroots community model to effectively promote healthy lifestyles, which reflects a commitment by the City to pursue partnerships that would allow all community resources, individuals and agencies to improve health and live-ability for residents of all ages.

Quincy on the Go! is necessary because sedentary lifestyles and poor nutrition have created an unprecedented national health crisis. The number of overweight and obese citizens in our population is higher than ever, while fewer people are physically active.

In December, Recreation Director Barry Welch completed the National Recreation and Parks course of study that resulted in the City of Quincy becoming a certified Step Up to Health Community.

Quincy on the Go! is designed to emphasize this national effort while mobilizing Quincy's existing assets. The program will educate our residents and employees, promote active living and healthy lifestyles and enhance our existing resources. Quincy on the Go! will take a leadership role that brings together health care providers, city government, business leaders, community based organizations, school officials, citizens and other interested parties.

In October of 2007, a community summit was held with over 60 persons gathering to hear Dr. Gary Gibbons, President of Quincy Medical Center; Dr. Haewook Han, the Nutritional Research Manager of Tufts University; and Dr. Wayne Westcott, Fitness Research Director of the South Shore YMCA. At the event the Quincy on the Go! website was introduced with the assistance of the staff at the Thomas Crane Public Library. QATV also launched a Quincy on the Go! "Did you know?" promotion that was filmed and produced by the QATV Staff. A networking lunch followed, and our local solutions initiative was underway.

### **STAFF**

In the City of Presidents, John Quincy Adams once said, "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

The safe, enjoyable and creative opportunities that were offered in FY 2008 are a tribute to the skills, enthusiasm and dedication of our staff. Their leadership is the single most

responsible reason for the quality of our activities. In FY 2008 the Recreation Department employed 233 part time and seasonal leaders who led hundreds of activities and thousands of hours of programming for the citizens of Quincy. The Director of Recreation and the Administrative Secretary are the only full time staff in the Department.

In April of 2008, Mr. Gerry Pratt left the staff of The Recreation Department after 32 years of dedicated leadership. Gerry advanced from the leadership level to become a supervisor in the Free Winter Gym Program. Well liked by co-workers and participants, he was an enthusiastic supporter of the Winter Gym Program for youth age eight through High School. Thousands of residents benefited from his service. He often had the children of his participants as members of his well-regarded Montclair Gym Program. He was also active on the staff in the Senior Olympic games where he conducted the shot put for over twenty years.

## BUDGET

The support of our elected and appointed officials is essential for the successful delivery of recreation programs to our residents. The budget of the Department was prepared by the Recreation Director and presented to the Park and Recreation Board. The Park and Recreation Board approved the budget and forwarded it to the Mayor for his review. The Mayor approved the request and forwarded the budget to the City Council. The Council unanimously approved the request as presented in the Mayor's annual budget. The total budget for FY 2008 was \$673,849. Personnel services \$650,449, expenses \$16,900 and contractual \$6,500 all contributed to make up the total appropriation. The department collected \$65,639 in user fees for a variety of programs. This money was returned to the general fund. This brought the tax-supported portion of the budget to \$608,210. With a population of 90,484, persons the per capita expenses is \$6.72 per resident.

The department conducted the ever growing and extremely popular self-supporting programs. \$57,584.50 was collected and appropriated back to the department to pay all expenses in these activities.

## SUMMER

The summer of 2007 saw Quincy residents of all ages participate in a wide variety of supervised recreation programs.

A new addition to the Department was a federal grant that placed Recreation Staff with Police Officers at two playground locations. "Teamwork" was conducted seven days per week from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Kincaide Playground and Fenno Street Playground. This highly successful program lowered police calls to these troubled locations and returned the sites to the neighbors for safe, positive recreational activities.

Eighteen neighborhood playgrounds were staffed from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. daily under the Supervised Summer Playground Program. Weekly field trips included

Franklin Park Zoo, Pawtucket Red Sox, Patriots Training Camp, Georges Island and Canobie Lake Park. Weekly sports championships were held city wide in six on six soccer, wiffle ball, basketball hot shots, bombardment, and three on three basketball. A Quincy on the Go! field day was held at the stadium. The annual Arts and Crafts Display and Contest was held on the grounds of City Hall. Perkins Park was the overall champion in the public voting for "Boston Box" sports team logos. Montclair Park was second with "Boston Shamrock" and Fore River placed third with "Tropical Polar Bear."

The Summer Learn to Swim Program at the Lincoln Hancock Community School Pool, supervised by the Recreation Department, attracted over 485 participants for two sessions of swimming lessons. The lessons were conducted from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday during both July and August. The dedicated instructional team was trained and certified in accordance to the standards of the America National Red Cross. The staff continues to be committed to providing Quincy residents a safe, enjoyable environment for instructional swimming, which is augmented by the Recreational Swim Program. Family groups, children, adults and seniors all engaged in the opportunity for recreational swimming, supervised nights and weekends year round. With an annual attendance of over 18,000 persons, the pool programs delivered a safe and fun-filled location for enjoyment and physical fitness. The safety record of the Aquatic Staff contributes to the enjoyment of the participants and speaks to the dedication and training of the Leaders.

The William F. Ryan Boating and Sailing Program continued to teach hundreds of Quincy youngsters the skills of rowing, sailing, kayaking and canoeing at its facilities in the natural salt-water lagoon of Black's Creek. The seasonal program in Merrymount Park was conducted in July and August, seven days a week. The competent and enthusiastic leaders facilitated the ongoing success of the program. The traditional end of season participation in Quincy Bay Race week was a highlight for fifteen members of the Advanced Sailing class. The Widgeon Class Champions from Quincy Bay Race week were Mary Schwartz, Zach Dwyer and Bridget Mazza. Nautical day, the last day of the summer program, featured family boat races, games, and a cookout for the participants. This year saw continued participation in the Adult Kayaking Program, allowing more Quincy residents the opportunity to enjoy this increasingly popular activity.

The Summer Sports Clinics and Instructional Workshop Programs were once again conducted on a self-supporting basis. 652 children enrolled in the programs, which were offered at a low cost under quality leadership. The programs offered were: rock climbing (2), girls' basketball, boys' basketball, television production, boys' lacrosse, girls' lacrosse, musical theatre, arts and crafts (2), boys' soccer, girls' soccer, dance, girls' softball, track, field and distance, little league baseball, golf, volleyball, cheerleading, competitive swimming, elementary tennis (2), middle school tennis (2), and mountain biking. New for this year was the sold out "Baking Basics and Dynamic Decorating."

Arts in the Parks, sponsored by the Park and Recreation Board, visited all six Wards for nights of free entertainment in its twelfth year. The year's featured

performer was the group "Java Jive," a trio who plays popular music of the past seventy years. The shows ran on Monday and Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m.

The Department also provided Staff for the Wednesday night concerts of Summerfest at the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater. Each of the five concerts began at 7 p.m. and featured performers Moby Dick and the Wailers, Dennis O'Gorman, The Continental Swing Band, and Riverside Theatre Works.

## FALL AND WINTER

The 37th Annual City of Quincy Tennis Championship was held in September and was sponsored by Quincy Credit Union for the tenth year. John Franceschini, in his 25th year as Tournament Director, was once again assisted by Co-Director Michelle Hanly. The tournament provides thirteen divisions of play over a three-week period at the Russell Park Tennis Courts.

The winners in the 2007 tournament were: Men's Singles- Jirawat Anektanasap, Men's 35 and Over Singles- Victor Luzarraga, Men's 50 and Over Singles- Barry Collins, Men's "B" Singles- Tany Ban, Boy's 16 and Under Singles- Dallana Wijesundera, Women's Singles- Phoebe Chan, Woman's 35 and Over Singles- Patrice Sullivan, Girl's 16 and Under Singles- Elizabeth Sullivan, Men's Doubles- Cristian Popa and Jirawat Anektanasap, Women's Doubles- Aileen and Jacquelyn Eleey, Mixed Doubles- Robert Yee and Francesca DiBona, Men City Employee's- Robert Yee, from the Recreation Department, Women City Employee's- Kami Medeiros, from the Quincy Public Schools.

On September 14th, 15th, and 16th, 2007 art lovers flocked from all areas of Greater Boston to the 10th Annual Quincy ArtsFest. The annual event was co sponsored by QATV for the fourth year in a row and attracted thousands to the South Shore's premium display of painting, sculptures and photographs by local artists. The Quincy Art Association, the Park Department, and the Recreation Department all contributed to this event. Families have come to enjoy this free event for its quality art and entertainment. In artworks, Best of Show went to Kseniya Galper for "Portrait of Zhenia." Best of Show in Photography went to Lynne Shackleton Ford for "Sunroom Reflection." The Young Artists Best of Show prize went to Anna Zeng's "Homeless."

The Learn to Skate Program was once again held for two nine-week sessions. A total of 124 participants skated each Wednesday in one of two hourly classes. Mrs. Anne Eagles, a U.S.F.S.A. teaching professional, who has been the instructor for over 30 years, led the program.

The core of the winter recreation program continues to be the After School, Night, and Saturday Morning Supervised Gym Program. The Department opened fourteen gymnasiums in Quincy's neighborhoods for use of boys and girls age 8 through high school. The free program began December 1st and ran through April 15th offering numerous free gym activities for participants. The following schools were in use: Atherton Hough, Atlantic Middle School, Beechwood Knoll, Charles A. Bernazzani,

Lincoln Hancock, Clifford Marshall, Merrymount, Montclair, Parker, Point Webster, Snug Harbor, Squantum, Sterling Middle School and Wollaston. Participants were able to choose the location of their choice and enjoy hundreds of hours of supervised activities in their neighborhood. The Department keeps the gyms open over Christmas and February Vacation weeks. In FY 2008 this vacation program also provided youngsters over 200 additional hours of supervised gym activities.

The Supervised Gym Program concluded with the annual All City Recreation Basketball Championship for middle and high school divisions. Merrymount defeated Atlantic in the Middle School division. Point Webster topped Montclair in the George Dunn Tournament for high school participants.

The Recreation Department also hosted the Elks National Free Throw Contest in all of its supervised gyms. More than 250 youngsters competed in the gym contest with winners continuing on to the City Finals. Six City Champions were crowned in three age categories: Kyle Murphy and Kayleen Lenihan for ages 8-9, Colin Evans and Joanne Ruan for ages 10-11, and Jazsala Laracuenta and Kyle Richardson for ages 12-13. These winners advanced to the District Finals in which Colin Evans and Kayleen Lenihan were the District Champions.

The Recreation Department continues its long association with Cerebral Palsy of Massachusetts by co-sponsoring a weekly Wednesday evening recreation program for special needs adults. The participants performed their annual program ending musical review "Celebrate America" to end the thirty-week program. The Department also provided two staff and a monthly visit by a professional arts and crafts instructor.

Quincy First Night was replaced with a free celebration "Quincy Family Fun Fest." The event, conducted by the Mayor's Office and the Park Department, utilized the leaders from the Recreation Department staff. Thousands enjoyed the annual New Year's Eve performances and fireworks display, the popular food tent and street performers. The Recreation Staff, as usual, operated two stores with horns, glow sticks and hats to celebrate the New Year.

The Learn to Ski and Snowboard Program returned as a popular activity offered by the department. Under new management the Blue Hills Ski Area opened for the popular Snowboard and Ski Lesson Program. The department enrolled 34 youngsters who completed the five-week program conducted on Tuesday afternoons starting January 8, 2008.

Adult programs with an emphasis on fitness were once again conducted. The Men's Drop-In Basketball Program, in its 43rd year, continued on Monday evenings at Atlantic Middle School. This program was fee supported and was held between October and May.

Women's Fitness and Exercise Programs were offered at the Fore River Clubhouse under the instruction of Mrs. Karen Gaughan. Classes were offered three days a week for ten months.

The Department conducted the increasingly successful Soccer Skills Program for Elementary, Middle, and High School girls. The free program was held at the Broad Meadows Middle School on Monday nights, and ran for eight weeks.

## SPRING

Cleaner Greener Quincy was conducted on May 3, 2008 on the grounds of One Merrymount Parkway. Hannaford Supermarket provided all food for over 1,000 persons who had spent the morning cleaning in all Wards of Quincy. This was the 19th Annual Event. The Mayor hosted the barbeque with all food prepared and served by the Recreation Staff.

In the 26th year for the Senior Olympic Games the City of Quincy became the sole sponsor. At its closing awards ceremony The Beechwood Community Life Center was presented an Achievement Award for the twenty-five years of sponsorship and games founder. The 2008 games went on with the Recreation and Council of Aging continuing as the host departments with strong support from the Mayor's Office. Conducted from May 12 through May 21, 2008, over 120 people participated in the following events: horseshoes, basketball free throw, swimming, golf, one-mile walk, three-mile walk, one-mile run, bowling, bocce, volleyball, billiards, darts and track and field events.

On Saturday June 14, 2008 the Recreation Staff assisted in the 57th Annual Flag Day Celebration, Parade and Fireworks. The staff assisted the Flag Day Volunteer Committee in all events and handed out thousands of juice boxes and frozen treats to the youth participants who marched in this year's traditional event.

The staff of the Quincy Recreation Department supervised the Hershey Track and Field National Youth Program for the 30th year. Boys and girls took part in two community meets resulting in 39 youngsters qualifying for the State Championship in Bolton, Massachusetts at the Nashoba Valley Regional School. There were ten state champions at this event. No Quincy participants qualified for the National Finals.

The Recreation Department website, [www.QuincyRec.com](http://www.QuincyRec.com), which was introduced in June 2007 saw continued growth throughout the year.

By ordinance, the Director of Recreation serves during the year as a member of the Quincy Council on Aging, the Family Commission and the Community Policing Commission. In FY 2008, the Director also continued to serve as a member of the State Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Senior Games and on the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Recreation and Park Association.

The Director of Recreation continues to serve as the managing trustee of the Dawes' Memorial Estate. Through the service of Bank of America, the interest on the principle of the Dawes Family trust is utilized to sustain the building in accordance with the bequest of the Dawes' will. The site at 657 Quincy Shore Drive was used extensively by a variety of small groups. The building is ideal for small staff meetings. The Recreation Department continues to utilize the site as well as the Quincy Council



on Aging, Department of Elders Services, Wollaston Mother's Club, Quincy Youth Baseball, the Quincy Bay Power Squadron, the Lipton Cup Regatta, the Circle Yacht Club, Men's and Women's Softball Leagues, the Germantown Yacht Club, Alpha Delta Kappa, Quincy Telecommunications, Quincy Public Schools and Altrusas International. The friends of Wollaston Beach, a local advocacy group of volunteers, has monthly meetings to promote the use of Wollaston Beach.

## **QUINCY PARK AND RECREATION BOARD**

The Quincy Park and Recreation Board continued in its policy making role with monthly meetings year round. This all-volunteer board is appointed to provide citizen input and oversight on Recreation and Park Department activities.

The organization of the board for July 1, 2007 through October 1, 2007 was as follows: Connie Driscoll, Chairman; Robert Evans, Vice Chairman; Bryant Carter, Secretary; David McCarthy, Josephine Shea, Betty DeCristofaro, Bryan Connolly, Jack Nigro, Sandy Verhault.

On October 1, 2007 Mrs. Donna McGaughey was appointed by Mayor William Phelan to replace Mr. Bryan Connolly as the Ward Four representative. Mr. Connolly had resigned due to time commitments.

On February 11, 2008 Mayor Thomas P. Koch appointed Mr. Connie Driscoll, Mr. Brad Croall, Mr. Jay Stearns, Mr. Joseph Brill, Mrs. Judith Krimski, and Mr. Bryant Carter.

The City Council re-appointed Mrs. Josephine Shea, Mr. Jack Nigro, and School Committee Representative Mr. David McCarthy in February 2008. On March 3, 2008 the Board organized a new election: Mr. Connie Driscoll, Chairman; Mrs. Josephine Shea, Vice Chairman; and Mr. Bryant Carter, Secretary.

### **ADMINISTRATION**

Barry J. Welch

Director of Recreation

Mary Elizabeth Dowling

Administrative Secretary

Nancy Joyce

Summer Program Director and Supervisor General

## **Quincy Fire Department**

Fiscal 2008 Yearly Report

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

In Fiscal 2008 the Quincy Fire Department responded to 9375 different incidents.

These incidents contained everything from Fires, Explosions, bomb scares, and medical emergencies to car accidents, stuck elevators, hazardous spills and false alarms.

During the Fiscal Year 2008 there were 766 Fires in Quincy.

The total reported dollar loss for all fires was \$1,424,000.

There was 0 civilian fire death and 0 civilian injuries in fires.

There were 68 Firefighter injuries in Fiscal 2008 with no firefighter deaths.

The Fire Department responded to 5050 medical emergencies and 357 Automobile accidents.

There were 548 Hazardous Incidents which included Power Lines down fuel spills or leaks, carbon monoxide incidents and Anthrax investigations..

Quincy Fire had 637 service calls which include lock outs (home and auto), water problems, police assists and smoke removals.

There were 534 good intent calls which include smoke scares, steam for smoke and wrong locations.

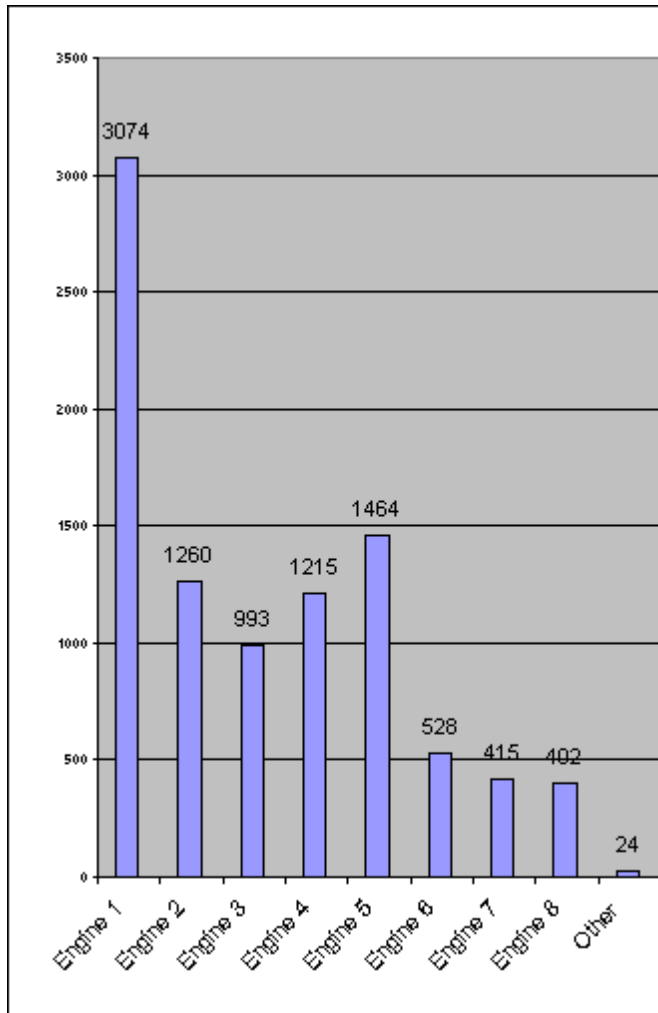
The department also responded to 1758 False Alarms whether intentional or unintentional.

Quincy Fire Department also gave Mutual Aid 38 times.

## Fire Department Statistics

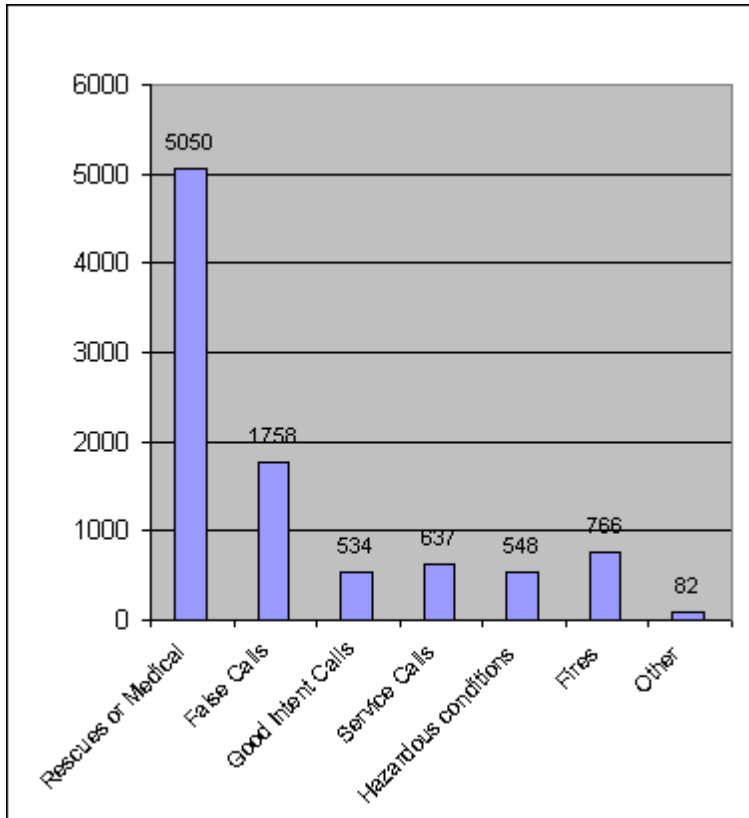
### Incidents by Stations

Station	# of Runs	Percent of runs	Area of City
Engine 1	3074	33%	Headquarters
Engine 2	1260	13%	North Quincy
Engine 3	993	11%	Quincy Point
Engine 4	1215	13%	Wollaston
Engine 5	1464	16%	West Quincy
Engine 6	528	6%	Houghs Neck
Engine 7	415	4%	Germantown
Engine 8	402	4%	Squantum
Other	24	0%	
Totals	9375	100%	



### Types of incidents

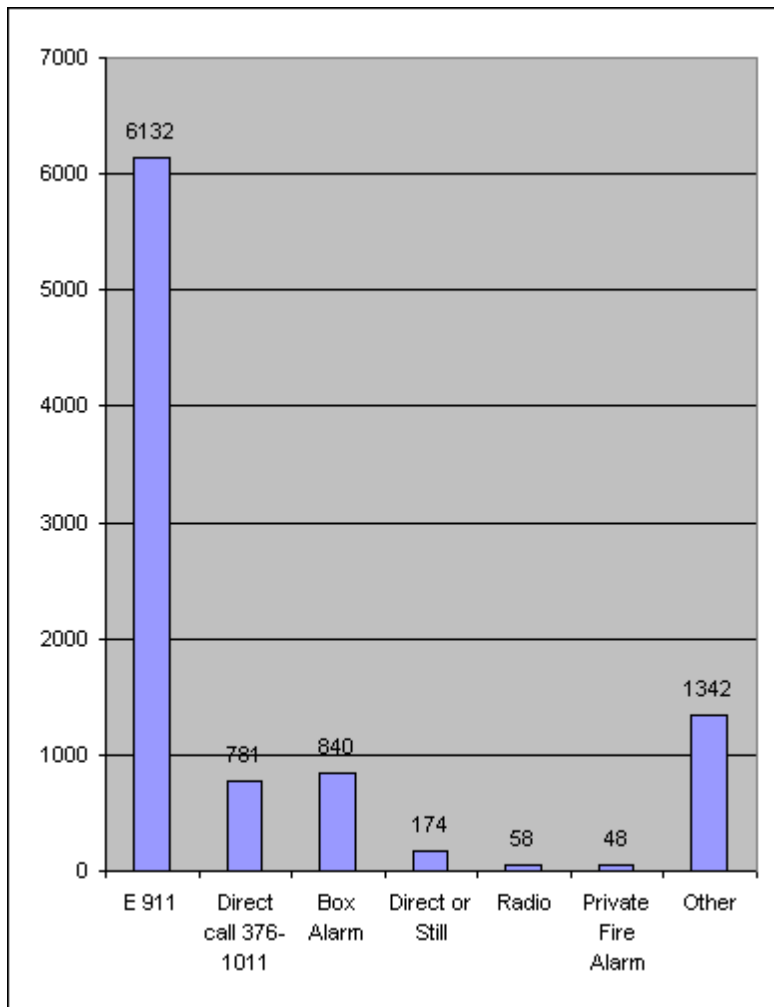
Rescues or Medical	5050	54%
False Calls	1758	19%
Good Intent Calls	534	6%
Service Calls	637	7%
Hazardous conditions	548	6%
Fires	766	8%
Other	82	1%
Total	9375	100%



### Methods of Receiving Alarms

E 911	6132	65%
Direct call 376-1011	781	8%
Box Alarm	840	9%
Direct or Still	174	2%
Radio	58	1%
Private Fire Alarm	48	1%
Other	1342	14%
Totals	9375	100%

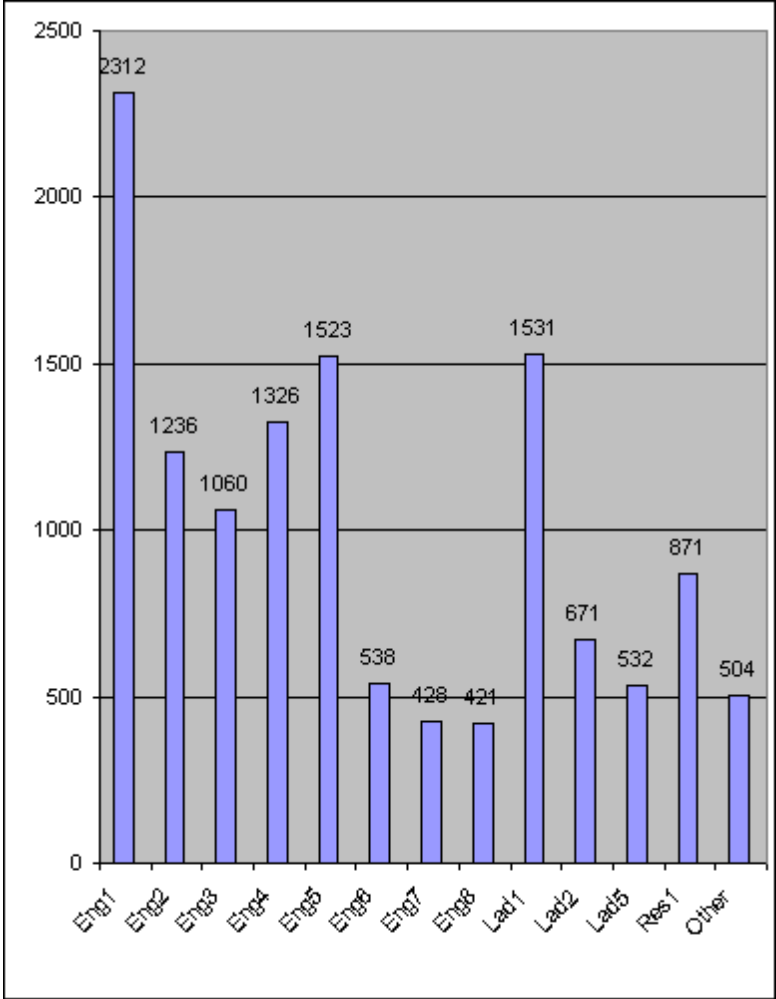
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#### Runs by Pieces of Apparatus

Apparatus	#of Runs	% of Runs
Eng1	2312	18%
Eng2	1236	10%
Eng3	1060	8%
Eng4	1326	10%
Eng5	1523	12%
Eng6	538	4%
Eng7	428	3%
Eng8	421	3%
Lad1	1531	12%
Lad2	671	5%
Lad5	532	4%

Res1	871	7%
Other	504	4%
Total	12953	100%
	12953	



**Quincy Police Department**  
**Robert Crowley, Chief**

**FY 2008 ANNUAL REPORT / JULY 1, 2007 – JUNE 30, 2008**

Chief Robert Crowley retired June 30, 2008. During Fiscal Year 2008, the department also had three retirements, one being a Sergeant, one Lieutenant and one Officer. In addition, during this fiscal year, one Officer was promoted to Sergeant. Twenty (20) new recruit officers graduated from the police academy in August of 2007.

**TRAINING DIVISION**

All officers attended In-Service Training classes the Plymouth and Foxboro Academies from September 2007 through June 2008. Officers and Supervisors attended a four day, hour session in CPR/First Aid, Trends in Drugs, Trends in Gangs, Legal Law Update, Motor Vehicle Law and Cultural Challenges in Policing.

In July 2007, the Training Division implemented a Field Training Officers Program for twenty (20) new recruit officers graduating from the police academy August 1, 2007. Also in July of 2007, three Officers attended a class at Franklin Police Department for Highway Vehicle Stops and Drug Trafficking. In August 2007, a class was conducted at the direction of the Training Division for Incident Command for all Supervisors. In September of 2007, two Supervisors were certified as instructors in Legal Update Instruction at the Plymouth Police Academy. All Officers attended the recommended Firearms Qualification Certification in October 2007 at the Boston Police Firing Range. In December of 2007, the Training Division assisted in the development of Back In Blue, a class for officers/veterans returning from active duty in the armed forces. The Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council will implement this class in all programs to be taught throughout the state. The Training Division also assisted in mentoring for the Quincy Police Internship Program, which is a semester-long unpaid internship for college students who want to gain knowledge and experience in a local law enforcement agency.

**GRANT DIVISION**

The Grant and Research Division of the Quincy Police Department applied for and received several grants in Fiscal Year 2008. The grants assisted the department in conducting various community programs, purchasing and upgrading equipment and providing continuing training and development for all officers. The Community Police Grant was awarded in the amount of \$85,500.00 and used for community outreach programs. Cops In The Shops grant, which was awarded in the amount of \$9,955.52, was used for overtime pay for officers to conduct alcohol enforcement in stores throughout the city that sell alcohol. The amount of \$23,800.00 was awarded for the Click It or Ticket grant and was used for overtime for officers to conduct traffic enforcement. The Shannon Grant was awarded in the amount of \$58,511.89 and was used for overtime for officers to conduct gang enforcement. The Jag Grant, which is a federal grant, was awarded in the amount of \$50,222.10 and was used to purchase and upgrade equipment. The SETB Training Grant was awarded in the amount of \$30,800.00 and was used to train E-911 Personnel. Lastly, the Byrne Jag Grant, in the amount of \$42,750.00, was

awarded and used for equipment and overtime for the Sex Offender Registry and Management of the Registry.

### DETECTIVE BUREAU

There are several units within in the Detective Bureau, under the supervision of Captain Michael Miller, that make up this division within the Quincy Police Department. The Bureau of Criminal Investigations (BCI), the Special Investigation Unit (SIU) and the Drug Control Unit (DCU) are the key divisions that make up the Detective Bureau. In addition to these divisions, the School Resource Officers and the DARE Officers are also supervised by the Detective Bureau Captain. The Domestic Violence Advocate and the Mental Health Advocate also work with the Detective Bureau to assist in cases and incidents where their specialized services are required. The following is a summary of statistics for the Detective Bureau. In addition to the following statistics, see the Department Statistics.

#### **BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS (BCI) STATISTICS FOR 2008**

Investigations: 971 (47% clearance for cases assigned)

#### **SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT (SIU) STATISTICS FOR 2008**

Abuse Prevention/Restraining Orders (209a):	472	
Violations of Abuse Prevention/Restraining Orders:	99	
Child Abuse Reports (51a):		352
Child In Need of Services (CHINS) Reports:	352	
Domestic Violence Reports (DOVE's):		17
Disabled Person Protection Commission:	13	
Elder Abuse:		
30		
Indecent Exposures:		
19		
Indecent A&B, under 14 years old:		14
Indecent A&B, over 14 years old:		19
Juveniles Tracked Through Quincy District Court:	199	
Missing Persons Reported:		111
Rape (all categories):		26
Runaways:		
75		

#### **DRUG CONTROL UNIT (DCU) STATISTICS FOR 2008**

Arrests:	262
Search Warrants:	20
Vehicles Seized:	9

#### **D.A.R.E. Program**

In July of 2007, the Quincy Police D.A.R.E. Program sponsored and directed a 2-week summer camp. The summer camp was held at Pageant field in Quincy and was led by Officer John Grazioso and Officer Don Sautter. Seven high school students also helped the D.A.R.E. officers direct the camp and served as peer leaders for the campers.

Approximately 50 fifth grade children, who completed the D.A.R.E. Program during the '07-'08 school year, attended the summer camp.



The primary mission of both the elementary and middle school Quincy Police D.A.R.E. programs is to prevent or reduce drug abuse and violence among children. To this end, Officer Grazioso and Officer Sautter taught the D.A.R.E Program to approximately 850 fifth grade students in eleven public elementary schools and four parochial schools. The D.A.R.E. Program was also presented to approximately 750 seventh graders in the five public middle schools in Quincy.

Throughout the school year, after school programs were offered at each public elementary school and parochial school in Quincy. During this program, fifth grade students were educated about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse by Quincy Police D.A.R.E. Officers and high school students, who were involved with peer leadership programs at area high schools. A total of twenty after school programs were conducted for approximately 450 fifth grade students, and 10-15 high school students helped deliver the program. Drug education and awareness meetings were also offered to fifth grade students and their parents at each public elementary school and parochial school in Quincy. During the school year, sixteen student/parent meetings were presented to approximately 400 parents or guardians and 400 fifth grade students.

Whenever possible, Officer Grazioso and Officer Sautter spoke to various business and school groups to provide substance abuse education. Requests have come from many organizations, such as: Girl and Boy Scouts, elementary, middle, high schools, and colleges, home school groups, after school programs, summer programs, businesses offering health or drug education seminars, and basketball and baseball camps. Officer Grazioso and Officer Sautter also assisted with security at the North Quincy High School and Quincy High School after prom parties sponsored by both high schools and parents of high school students.

During the year, Officer Grazioso and Officer Sautter attempted to gain and maintain business partnerships. These partnerships helped to finance the almost 50 after school and evening programs offered throughout the school year. They also enabled the D.A.R.E. Officers to sponsor and direct the 2007 Quincy Police D.A.R.E. Summer Program for almost 50 fifth graders headed to middle school in the fall. To assist with raising funds for the D.A.R.E. Summer Program, Officer Grazioso and Officer Sautter also organized a golf tournament held in June of 2008.

#### COURT/POLICE PROSECUTORS DIVISION

The Police Prosecutors for the Quincy Police Department consist of a Sergeant and an Officer who pursue, oversee and follow through court cases in Quincy District Court and Norfolk Superior Court. The purpose of the police prosecutors is to work with the District Attorneys Office in pursuing any legal action against any individual criminally involved with the Quincy Police Department. The following is a list of statistics for court activity throughout the Fiscal Year 2008.

##### Court Activity/Arrests:

Clerk Magistrate Hearings	725
Arraignments	1910

Pre-Trial Conferences  
Trials

2042  
694

### RECORD ROOM

#### Accidents

Police Response .....	2,243
Fatalities .....	2
Pedestrians .....	69
Hit & Run .....	162

#### Citations

Arrests .....	588
Civils .....	2,051
Criminals .....	443
Warnings	15,015

Parking Permits .....	1,165
Gun Permits .....	430
Hackneys .....	71

### HOMELAND SECURITY DIVISION

The Quincy Police Department's Homeland Security Division works closely with other agencies for the purpose of information sharing, updates on state and federal homeland security matters and monitoring large local events in the region. The Homeland Security Division as consists of the Marine Unit under the supervision of one Lieutenant.

#### **MARINE UNIT**

The Quincy Police Marine Unit is responsible for patrolling Quincy's 26 miles of coastline and 25 square miles of coastal waters. In addition, areas of patrol include Neponset and Fore River bridges, Sprague Energy Oil Terminal, CITGO Oil Terminal, Twin Rivers Industrial Park and several marinas, yacht clubs, beaches and maritime sites. In addition, the Marine Unit provided patrols for six marine events, including Sail Boston, The Lipton Cup, Quincy Bay Race Week, Town River Sailing Regattas and The Disabled Veterans Fishing Day outing. The Marine Unit conducted twenty-seven community service vessel ride alongs to encourage awareness of homeland security and build community relations between the police and residents. During this fiscal year, the Marine Unit officers attended a 36 hour US Coast Guard Hostile Vessel Interception Class. The officers also attended a 40 hour US Coast Guard Merchant Marine Captains Course.

##### Marine Unit Activity Log:

Safe Boating (15 Hr) Classes Taught	4	
Boat Safety Inspections		35
Boaters in Distress Calls	18	
Marine Pollution Reports	10	
Outside Agency Assistance	16	
Commercial Vessel Casualty Investigations	9	

## CRIME PREVENTION UNIT

QPD Tours .....	12
Crime Watch Programs .....	22
Personal Safety Programs .....	20
Child Safety Programs/Internet & Stranger Awareness Programs .....	22
Teen Dating Violence/Bullying Program .....	16
Asian Police Academy (Crime Prevention courses) .....	15
Safety Fairs .....	8
Drunk Driving Awareness Course .....	6
Senior Safety .....	11
Safety Fairs/meetings .....	10
Senior Citizen Academies (4 week program x 8 programs) .....	32
Quincy High School Academy (30 weeks) .....	1
North Quincy High School Academy (13 weeks) .....	1
GOALS High School Program (10 weeks) .....	1
Bicycle Safety Program .....	24
Residential Info requests .....	130
Child Car Seat Installation Program .....	2
Boys Middle School Earlybird Basketball Program (5 weeks) .....	3
Girls Middle School Earlybird Basketball Program (5 weeks) .....	3
Quincy Sun "Hot Spots" and "Job Well Done" Articles .....	52
RAD Program (4 weeks) .....	2
RAD High School Program (10 weeks) .....	1
Quincy College presentations .....	4
Project Lifesaver (residents enrolled) .....	10
Project HELP (residents enrolled) .....	160
Project HELP presentations .....	10
Internet Safety Courses .....	5
Media Presentations (Radio/T.V.) .....	8

## North Quincy High School Student Police Academy and Quincy High School Student Police Academy:

Police Officers go into the high schools and present topics to the students. This program helps students determine if law enforcement is a field that they may be interested in pursuing. Police Officers and students interacting helps break down communication barriers and promote better understanding. There are field trips to prisons, police academies and tours of the police station. Students are required as part of their curriculum to participate in a "Ride Along" on either a Friday or Saturday night to see "the job" in person. Safety is priority for the students. There is also a K-9 Unit demonstration. Some topics covered:

-Police Stress	Forensics Hiring
Process	
-Terrorism	Drugs
Drunk Driving	
-Community Policing	Use of Force
Rape Investigation	

-Motor Vehicle Law	Search and Seizure
911/Communications	
-K-9	Car Stops
Domestic Violence	
-Motorcycle Gangs	Special Operations
Sexual Offenders	
-DARE	Detective Division
Teen Dating Violence	
-Ambulance (EMT)	Hostage Situations
Careers in Law Enforcement	

### **GOALS PROGRAM:**

The GOALS program is an alternative high school education for students who have had difficulty in high school. Police Officers speak at this program with a focus on improving relations and in helping students who may have had a brush with the law. Many of the above courses are selected.

### **CHILD CAR SEAT INSTALLATION PROGRAM:**

The Quincy Police Department, in conjunction with a local business and radio station, sponsor the program. Due to the demand, installation is by appointment only.

### **BICYCLE SAFETY PROGRAM:**

Police Officers visited 11 elementary schools and 4 parochial schools to educate all second and third graders on bicycle rules, regulations and safety concerns.

### **SENIOR CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY:**

Since 1995, this academy has presented various courses to residents living in the 11 senior complexes. Each four-week program meets once a week for two hours and the subjects change each year. Ward Councilors are invited during the final week, along with the K-9 Unit. Some of the courses offered:

-Department history	Elder Abuse	Scams
-Criminal Investigations	Crime Update	
Driving Safety		
-Prescription Drug Safety	Fire Safety	
Personal Safety		

### **DRUNK DRIVING EDUCATION PROGRAM/EDUCATION SEMINAR:**

The students learn about the impact of alcohol on a driver, then witness an accident simulation by a local college drama club, with Quincy Police, Fire and Ambulance responding. A local Funeral Home will also be involved. After the scenario, the students will return to the auditorium where they will hear from a prisoner, convicted of vehicular homicide, as well as the Superior Court Prosecutor in charge of OUI/Homicide cases.

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL EARLYBIRD BASKETBALL PROGRAM:**

In 2005, the Crime Prevention Unit tried this as a pilot program. The first five weeks were aimed at girls in the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The next five weeks were reserved for the boys.

Although there were play-offs and champions crowned, the program stressed relationship building between the police and the students, between students of varying grades and getting students involved in healthy activities. Evaluations held by the school showed that the program was highly successful. The Earlybird program received high grades from the students. This program was expanded into two additional middle schools in 2006, for both boys and girls.

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/AFTER-INCIDENT SEMINARS:**

Although the City is very safe, there are cases where residents request assistance from the Police to resolve a problem. The Crime Prevention Unit or the Community Policing Officer for that particular ward will meet with residents to create a plan to prevent crime from re-occurring. There are also isolated cases where a serious crime has occurred and neighbors seek reassurance. The Crime Prevention Unit, working with neighbors and other agencies, assesses the situation and creates a plan of action to resolve the problem.

#### **WARD/PTO/COMMUNITY CENTER EDUCATION SEMINARS:**

Police Officers, under the direction of the Crime Prevention Unit, offer information in their field of expertise at community meetings. Home security, personal safety and child safety are examples of topics presented in the past.

#### **RAD COMMUNITY PROGRAM:**

Police Officers, trained in RAD (radically changed defense for women) teach this program to women only. The RAD objective is “to develop and enhance the options of self defense, so they may become viable considerations to the woman who is attacked.” The course, which meets for four sessions, begins with classroom instruction and expands to hands-on tactics.

#### **RAD HIGH SCHOOLS PROGRAM:**

This pilot program in early 2006 at North Quincy High School focused on female seniors who are going away to college. Being away from home, most likely for the first time, and vulnerable to new surroundings, this program will compliment the student’s preparedness as they go on to their next challenge.

#### **ASIAN POLICE ACADEMY:**

This program strives to make the City’s Asian population welcome to the city. Police Officers lecture, through interpreters on basic safety measures. Guest speakers are available based on the need and interest of the particular group. Topics presented in the past have been pedestrian safety, seatbelt and child car seat instruction, and “911” systems and services. Safety pamphlets are also translated into many languages.

#### **“HOT SPOTS’ AND “JOB WELL DONE” QUINCY SUN COLUMNS:**

On a weekly basis, the Crime Prevention Unit provides a full page of information about “hot spots” of crime that occurred in the city for the past week. The “Job Well Done” column reviews a recent police incident, describing the efforts of the officer(s), the citizen’s involvement and safety tips that may pertain to the case. Officers are praised for their good work and citizens, who give permission, are recognized for “getting involved.” Based on need, particular articles are submitted about recent scams and other crime related topics.

## **SAFETY FAIRS AND SAFETY DAYS:**

The Crime Prevention Unit represents the Police Department at many fairs and safety programs, providing information and handouts on a wide range of issues.

## **PROJECT LIFESAVER:**

Teaming up with the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office, Project Lifesaver is part of a national program to locate and rescue missing persons who have wandered due to Alzheimer" or related conditions such as autism or Down Syndrome. To qualify, clients must be under 24-hour monitoring and be fitted for a tracking bracelet.

## **PROJECT "HELP":**

Quincy's own program to compliment Project Lifesaver. Clients can be anyone who tends to wander or get confused, have mental or emotional difficulties. The purpose of the program is for the Police to locate the person as soon as possible.

## **LIQUOR INFECTIONS**

Inspection.....	1448
License Board.....	8
Investigations.....	16
Verbal Warnings.....	35
Summonses.....	13
Complaints.....	5
Suspensions.....	2
Fraudulent I.D. Class.....	6
State Hearings.....	1
Complaints Referred to Court for Action.....	7
Liquor Licenses Revoked.....	1

## **ANIMAL CONTROL**

Stray Dogs / Cats reclaimed by owners.....	70
Adopted Dogs.....	31
Cats / Kittens adopted.....	442
Cats / Kittens euthanized or died.....	35
Dogs euthanized or died.....	6
Citations issued.....	20
Complaints investigated.....	1
Hearings before Chief of Police.....	1
Hearings with Clerk of Courts.....	5
Deceased animals removed from streets.....	730
Injured wild animals.....	9
(New England Wildlife Ctr.- Hingham)	
West Nile Virus birds and wild animals for rabies testing.....	8
(State lab – Jamaica Plain)	
Dog Licenses issued.....	2,817
(April 2007 thru March 2008)	
Dog licenses issued.....	2,326

(April 1, 2008 thru June 30, 2008)

# QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Incidents by Car Sector 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008

Code	A1	A2	A3	B1	B2	B3	B4	C1	C2	C3	D1	D2	D3	OTHER	
TOTALS															
ARSON	00	00	01	01	00	01	00	00	00	01	02	01	00	00	07
ASSAULT	00	02	05	04	01	04	00	04	00	01	04	02	05	00	32
B&E/M/V	32	28	74	51	69	51	15	21	04	12	25	59	32	06	479
B&E/PAST	28	21	45	62	29	42	11	11	39	13	28	46	29	01	405
B&E/PROG	03	02	07	08	06	09	05	01	04	04	05	06	02	01	63
DISORDER	139	111	247	193	98	210	80	56	76	86	314	264	196	17	2087
LARCENY	41	43	75	66	51	54	28	25	16	33	114	74	82	03	705
LARC/FA	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	01	00	00	01	00	00	02
LAR/MV	06	15	25	22	07	08	08	06	05	05	16	31	11	02	167
SHOPLIFT	00	31	77	33	79	09	04	00	00	22	78	50	84	00	467
OUI	04	03	07	07	04	03	04	01	00	07	10	04	07	00	61
ARM/ROB	03	04	09	06	04	08	00	02	00	02	07	03	04	01	53
UNAM/ROB	02	02	06	05	01	07	01	01	00	00	08	04	05	00	42

SEX OFFE	01	00	00	01	01	02	00	01	01	06	00	03	02	00	18
VAND/CTY	01	05	08	03	02	04	02	04	07	02	04	05	04	00	51
VAND/PRP	48	49	124	77	87	75	27	42	27	35	78	137	59	16	881
DRUGS	21	27	43	14	21	20	01	06	05	92	36	40	32	03	361
VICE	00	01	06	02	00	02	01	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	13
POS/WEAP	00	00	03	01	00	03	01	02	01	00	02	01	02	00	16
TOTALS	329	344	762	556	460	512	188	183	186	321	732	731	556	50	5910

## QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Incidents by Hour from 07/01/2007 to 06/30/2008

Hour	Incidents	
	#	%
MID-1AM	2379	3.6%
1AM-2AM	2432	3.7%
2AM-3AM	1685	2.5%
3AM-4AM	1220	1.8%
4AM-5AM	785	1.2%
5AM-6AM	798	1.2%
6AM-7AM	1626	2.5%
7AM-8AM	2165	3.3%
8AM-9AM	2779	4.2%
9AM-10AM	2969	4.5%
10AM-11AM	3529	5.3%
11AM-NOON	3635	5.5%
NOON-1PM	3517	5.3%
1PM-2PM	3588	5.4%
2PM-3PM	4034	6.1%



3PM-4PM	3421	5.2%
4PM-5PM	3577	5.4%
5PM-6PM	3579	5.4%
6PM-7PM	3371	5.1%
7PM-8PM	3318	5.0%
8PM-9PM	3254	4.9%
9PM-10PM	3288	5.0%
10PM-11PM	2936	4.4%
11PM-MID	2288	3.5%

66,173

100.0%

## **Health Department**

**Andrew Scheele, Commissioner**

### **ANNUAL REPORT JULY 2007- JUNE 2008**

The Health Department continues to address the public health problems facing the community by providing preventive health services, implementing a range of environmental, communicable disease and infection control regulations and by offering educational information and activities on all services provided. A summary of our services, programs and activities for this fiscal year is provided below.

#### Substance Abuse Control Program Activities - Tobacco Control Program

Despite complete cuts to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's Tobacco Control Program, The Quincy Health Department continues to work closely with Bay State Community Services and The Quincy Police Departments Community Policing Division to enforce tobacco regulations regarding access of tobacco to minors. Food and housing inspectors ensure that all Vending Machines in establishments have permanent lockout devices installed and compliance checks of proper signage prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors. Violators received the fines as established in the Regulations. Referrals were made for 7 individuals wishing to attend smoking cessation clinics. A more restrictive ordinance prohibiting smoking in the workplace was submitted to the Quincy City Council in June and was placed into the ordinance committee.

#### Public Health Nursing Programs and Activities

The nurses' role in the area of prevention and control of tuberculosis continues to expand with our two nurses required to function as mandated case managers for patients with an active TB disease. One of the most successful aspects of TB control is the practice of "Directly Observed Therapy" (DOT) for patients with active TB disease. To support patients in adhering to the treatment regimen, nurses visit patients in their homes to monitor the administration and effectiveness of medication. The nurses are supported in this aspect of care by an outreach worker with the State TB Program. TB testing and screening clinics are held in accordance with the current regulation of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Contact testing through follow up of residents and new participants is also performed. Culturally diverse education and outreach programs are conducted in conjunction with state and local organizations. Our two nurses also participate in the three times a month chest clinic at Quincy Medical Center as part of continuity of care for their tuberculosis, patients and new arrivals to the U.S.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health's regulations requires that certain communicable diseases be reported to the local health departments. The nurses review each incident of communicable disease and file a thorough report to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The reports serve as one of the most important measures to prevent and control communicable disease in the city. In addition, the nurses work to ensure that members

of the community who have come in contact with a communicable disease are evaluated to determine if infection is present. Patient confidentiality is always respected. The nurses also provide preventive education, support and guidance to patients and their families and act as a resource to area health care providers on issues concerning communicable diseases.

### Clinics

Lead screening clinics for children age nine months to six years, were held to detect elevated lead levels in blood and to refer the child for follow up as needed. Adult Immunization Clinics were held weekly and by appointment to protect adults against infectious diseases such as tetanus, diphtheria and pneumonia. College immunization clinics held weekly. Blood Pressure clinic are also held weekly by the Health Department nurses.

Each fall free influenza clinics are held at Elderly Housing Facilities, Neighborhood Health Centers and The Health Department. Home Visits were offered to homebound. The nurses also distributed the flu vaccine to the area health care providers, nursing homes, Quincy Medical Center and the Manet Community Health Centers. Hepatitis B vaccine was provided to public employees at risk for occupational exposure to infection. Immunization clinics for post exposure to certain communicable diseases (Hep A) are held as necessary.

### Biologic Distribution Program

The nurses maintain an established biologic distribution station. Each nurse was responsible for dispensing M.D.P.H. free vaccine to Quincy health providers, Quincy Public Schools, Quincy Medical Center for the prevention of measles, mumps, rubella, polio, tetanus, diphtheria pertussis (whooping cough) haemophilus influenza, chicken pox, Hep A and hepatitis B Immunoglobulin. The nurses also dispensed PPD tuberculin vaccine, monitored its usage and educated community providers regarding appropriate screening practices in TB prevention control. Additionally, influenza, pneumonia, tetanus /diphtheria, was provided to health care providers and nursing homes.

### Student Internships

The Nursing Department continues to work with Boston University to offer student internships in public health. This year an internship was initiated with Quincy High School Allied Health Program.

### Recreational Camp Programs

Recreational Camps are inspected, licensed and monitored yearly by the nurses to insure public health safety and prevention of communicable disease. They also provide camps with info on regulation changes and current health issues.

### Inspections

The Nurses work in conjunction with the housing inspections in case of complaints of hoarding where resident's health and safety may be in question. Conducting inspections and referrals to appropriate social service agencies for assistance.

### Health Education Seminars

During the course of the year seminars for senior citizens took place at various sites around the city including

senior groups, Salvation Army and Quincy Housing Authority. The topics included the importance of food safety practices, cholesterol levels, diabetes and the importance of receiving immunizations as adults. Seminars for Blood-Borne Pathogens and diseases of the skin were given monthly for those requesting tattoo licensing and general public. Seminars for city employees on Bloodborne Pathogens were also done. The nurses also provide Health Guidance and Referrals to residents and health care providers and work closely with the Commissioner of Public Health. The nurses continue their collaborative efforts with QATV and news media regarding current health issues and concepts. A certified food safety manager course is now offered by the nursing department for National Certification and is taught monthly. CPR/AED and First Aid Courses also now provided to city employees and the general public.

#### Food /Health Inspection Program Actiities

The two full-time food/health inspectors are charged with oversight of the approximately 557 facilities in Quincy that receive our licenses to sell and/or prepare and serve food in the city. In general terms, complaints of any alleged food poisoning require the facility be inspected immediately with follow-up activities conducted by both our nurses and inspectors as necessary. Complaints concerning employee hygiene, unsanitary conditions and others reported by consumers are investigated and followed-up as soon as possible. Consumer complaints about overflowing dumpsters and litter, debris around food establishments are still the most frequent consumer complaints. Issuance of tickets for violations of the Dumpster Ordinance continues to be a routine practice limited now to a certain number of violators.

Those food establishment owners planning to open a new restaurant and those renovating existing restaurants met with inspectors to discuss and complete a plan review packet. This packet contains copies of our smoking regulations, dumpster ordinances, explanation of critical and non-critical violations listed in our food inspection form and requirements for equipment needed, depending on the food to be prepared and/or served in the new or renovated establishment.

#### New Training & Enforcement Requirements/Food Inspection Program

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Food and Drug, in October of 2000, required establishment managers to become Certified Professional Food Handlers before October, 2001. The Quincy Health Department offers training classes for new owners and employees conducted by one of the Health Department Nurses.

Our food/health inspectors and sanitarians also inspected and responded to complaints regarding semi-public swimming pools, tanning facilities, massage parlors, health clubs and one stable. In addition the two food/health inspectors served as, animal inspectors. Approximately **205** dogs and cats were required to be quarantined and released this physical year.

#### Rabies Prevention and Control Activities

The health/animal inspector, pursued all reported cases of possible rabid dogs, cats, raccoons and skunks. Consultation was offered with follow-up should an individual require pre or post rabies treatment. The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Communicable Disease fact sheets and educational materials on Rabies were again distributed to schools and the media.

One rabies clinic was held this year in April to encourage dog and cat owners to have their pets immunized. Dr. Tricia Glazier, Veterinarian, conducted the clinic assisted by a number of our staff who record important information on the vaccination status of the pet and issue tags which identifies the animal as having been vaccinated within the year.

#### Chief Sanitarian, Housing Code and Other Sanitarian's Activities

The Chief Sanitarian spends considerable time carrying out her responsibilities as the Supervisor of the Housing Code staff, which includes one code inspector, one full-time sanitarian and as needed one part-time sanitarian. She met as needed with staff to review individual cases and to offer guidance and consultation for resolution of cases. In her role as Supervisor of the Semi-Public and Public Swimming Pools, she conducted Annual Training Seminar prior to the opening of the seasonal pools for our in house inspectors regarding the meet the requirements of the State Sanitary Code "Minimum Standards for Swimming Pools". In addition to inspecting an assigned number of seasonal pools every month, she assisted the two sanitarians as needed in carrying out the mandates of the Swimming Pool Regulations while conducting inspections of their assigned pools. She also reviews & approves construction plans for new semi-public and public pools.

The Chief Sanitarian also provided Health Department comments on behalf of the Health Department to the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals on issues coming before the board.

A considerable portion of her time was dedicated to the review of plans and documents, site inspections, meetings with engineers and developers of proposed new subdivisions, PUD's and commercial facilities to discuss drainage, sewage, insect/rodent control, hazardous materials, dust control, solid waste and other environmental prevention and control issues specific to the site. The Chief Sanitarian and the other sanitarians responded to the daily complaints by residents concerning such issues as nuisance, dust, indoor air pollution, asbestos exposure, rodent and insect complaints, water quality concerns and complaint of air quality and odors. Special Projects:

**Massage Regulations** – Implemented comprehensive massage regulations for practitioners and establishments. Which includes CORI Check, Credential Review and Issuance of permits from July 2007 thru January 2008. In January 2008 the State took over the licensure of massage practitioners and establishments. The Chief Sanitarian worked on development of proposed Bodywork regulations.

**West Nile Virus** – Working with DPW, Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project and Quincy's Animal Control Officer, the Health Department worked to prevent and control the potential for the West Nile Virus occurring in the City. Information on the preventive and protective measures residents could take to control mosquito breeding in their yards and to protect themselves from mosquito bites was provided to the media and to the general public via the City's Web Page.

**Hoarding Seminar** – Developed and presented to the Council on Aging a seminar on Hoarding and Clutter. Involved research and development of presentation as well as informational handouts and brochures.

**Bathing Beach** – Responsible for scheduling and coordinating the City's Bathing Beach Sampling Program. Involves coordination of weekly sampling of beaches, keeping statistics, notifying public and media via press releases and information on Web Page. Compile final report at end of season.

**Health Department Web Page** – Responsible for updating information on the Health Department's portion of the City's Web Pages. Posts up to date statistics regarding West Nile Virus surveillance, bathing beach sampling results, and flu vaccine clinics. Posts articles of concern including information on Extreme Cold, Tick-borne Diseases, Mosquito control and Red Tide.

#### Housing Code Division

Our Housing Code inspector and Sanitarians (one full-time and one part-time) are assigned complaints involving housing conditions, primarily in rental properties. Housing code inspections may include lead paint determinations (if children under six reside within the dwelling) in addition to comprehensive Sanitary Code inspections according to Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation. The same inspectors also respond to nuisance conditions, usually involving trash and debris and/or rodents. The housing code division also performs routine and complaint inspections of the City's lodging/rooming houses and Hotel/Motels/Inns. Our Sanitarians, in addition to housing and nuisance complaints also perform complaint and licensing inspections for sun-tanning facilities, massage establishments and body art facilities.

#### Shellfish Warden Activities

Our shellfish warden continues to enforce the city's Shellfish Management and Regulation Plan which requires the licensing of all diggers, the routine testing, opening and closing of the flats in accordance with all of the Division of Marine Fisheries requirements. The shellfish warden also assists our department in collecting water samples and in posting signs when particular beaches are unacceptable for swimming and in removing such signs following acceptable results of re-tested water samples. He is also an active member of the Shellfish Warden's Association and has received an award for his continued efforts to improve the quality of the clam-flats in the city.

The Health Department has also added a pumpout boat that was procured with monies from a grant under the Clean Vessel Act. This boat is run from May thru October and services boats mainly in the Quincy Fore River and Town River. Waste is pumped from recreational crafts and disposed of in the City of Quincy sewer system. During this fiscal year 876 boats were serviced and approximately 9,780 gallons of sewerage collected through use of the Pump-Out-Boat.

### Health Commissioner's Activities

The Health Commissioner oversees all programs, clinics and activities of the Quincy Health Department. Has routine meetings with staff to discuss any issues or problems. Attends department head meetings with the Mayor and his staff. Works on any projects or activities that the Mayor request.

### Beach Commission

The Health Commissioner continues to work closely with the Beach Commission on various projects throughout the year.

### Bioterrorism

The health department's significant involvement in bioterrorism response and preparedness activities which have been on going. Development of fact sheets; web information and both in-house and city-wide protocols were a prime responsibility of the Chief Sanitarian and other key staff members. Dozens of documents generated at the federal and State levels have been reviewed and continue to be incorporated into the City's disaster preparedness plans. Great studies have been made in the development of citywide immunization and evacuation plan to include mobilization and communication of all city departments. A comprehensive program on pandemic planning and emergency preparedness was developed and taught by one of our nurses and is being presented throughout the various city departments and elderly housing projects.

### Quincy License Board

The Health Commissioner is a member of the Quincy Licensing Board and its Vice-Chairman. The Licensing Board meet 3 times a month and is responsible for the issuance of over forty different licenses. Each application has a thorough review process and a hearing. The License Board listens to complaints and violations against license holders and renders decisions.

### REGION 4B

The Health Commissioner attends monthly meetings of Region 4B. Comprised of 27 communities, health agents from each work closely with state and federal officials on a host of different public health issues facing our communities. We are currently working to get state funds allocated to local public health departments for emergency preparedness.

Health Inspectors	Routine Inspections
Restaurants	1505
Retail Food Stores	1335
Mobile Food Service	15
Catering Service	32
Cafeteria	128
Bakery	53
Function Halls	21

Temporary Food Service	36
Vending Machine	N/A
Motels	3
Day Care Sanitation	62
Health Club, Steam Baths, Sauna	35
Tanning Facilities	23
Massage License Review/CORI for Establishments & Practitioners	35
Schools Private-Parochial	N/A
Food/Health Investigations/Complaints Phone Calls	423
Consumer Food Borne Illness	30
Consumer Product Tampering	17
Consumer Employees Hygiene	10
Consumer Unsanitary Conditions	31
Consumer Dumpster Complaints/Rubbish	76
Consumer Food/Insect/Rodent	13
Sewer/Grease/Drainage	12
Toilet Facilities, Unsanitary	8
Other	9
Insect & Rodent Control	23
Rat Complaints	6
Cockroach	4
<b>Animals- Dog Bites Reported</b>	75
Long Term	50
10 Day	25
Other	3
Cat Bites Reported	65
Long Term	55
10 Day	10
Quarantined Animals	198
Fish & Wildlife Complaints	0
Laboratory Testing-Frozen Desert	202
Burial Permits	726
Nursings Division –	
I. Total Home Visits	178
II. Total Office Visits	544
III. Total Telephone Visits	3,069
IV. Total Health Guidance	3,755
V. Total Child/Adult Clinic	79
VI. Total School Visits	0
VII. Total In-Service Education	0
VIII. Total Conference	69
IX. Total Meetings	54



X. Communicable Disease Reports	169
XI. Tuberculosis New Cases	10
XII. HIV/AIDS Information Ref.	0
XIII. Biologic Services	194
XIV. Camp Visits	13
XV. Health Fairs	2
XVI. Flu Shots	3,260
XVII. Inspections	39
XVIII. Seminars Given	90
Tuberculin Testing	
Total	265
Male	118
Female	147
Negative	220
Positive	37
Not Read	8
Certification	89
Contact	152
College Entrance	N/A
Routine	3
<b>Referred to BMC</b>	18
<b>New Entry</b>	16
<b>Class B1 &amp; B2</b>	9
Chief Sanitarian Summary	
Hoarding/ Emergency Calls	6
Demolition Inspections	47
Sub Division Review	2
Pool Inspections	76
Bathing Beach Report	1
Air Pollution	23
Site Plan Review	5
PUD	1
ZBA Agenda Review	All Cases
Asbestos	7
Indoor Mold	4
Nuisance Complaint including dumpsters	22
Seminars	3
Septic/Sewage	4
Unkempt Yard	12
<b>Housing Code Inspections</b>	

Complaints	679
# <b>Housing Code Reinspections</b>	396
# With Violations Outstanding	125
# Requiring Court Activity	48
# <b>Administrative Hearing (In-House)</b>	3
# Lead Paint Determinations/Inspections	50
# In Violation	6
# In Compliance, Initial Inspection	35
# <b>With Violations Corrected</b>	388
# Requiring Court Activity	2
Constable	10
Office Visits for Food Inspectors	151

## **Inspectional Services**

**Jay Duca, Director**

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July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

### **Introduction**

The Quincy Inspectional Services Department (ISD) was created in 1997 in order to consolidate seven related departments under one roof. This consolidation served to streamline the construction permitting process for developers, business owners and the Citizens of the City of Quincy. ISD also provides many other services to the public such as answering and resolving complaints and violations that affect the quality of life for our citizens. We also provide free, walk-in, Zoning, Building and Conservation informational clinics every Thursday from 2PM to 7PM, to assist homeowners with their construction projects.

We are conveniently located at 55 Sea Street. Our business hours are Monday thru Friday, 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Thursdays from 7AM to 7PM. The Main Phone number is 617-376-1450.

### **Organizational Structure**

Inspectional Services include the following seven departments:

- Building Department
- Plumbing and Gas Department
- Wiring Department
- Zoning Board of Appeals
- Conservation Commission
- Weights and Measures
- Municipal Code Enforcement

### **Mission Statement**

The Inspectional Services Department is committed to providing helpful, fair and consistent service to the public. We are ever mindful of our duty to promote the public health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City. We are dedicated to providing convenient and easily accessible information and services, and accurate record keeping. The Inspectional Services Department is committed to working as a team, uniting with other City Departments to accomplish our goal of protecting and serving the citizens of the City of Quincy.

### **City Demographics**

The City of Quincy is the tenth largest city in the Commonwealth with a population of approximately 90,000 people. There are approximately 25,000 public, commercial and residential buildings and structures throughout the City.

## Inter-Departmental Function

### **Building Department**

The Building Department ensures that buildings and structures in the City are safe for the public to use and occupy, and that all construction meets the requirements set forth by the Massachusetts State Building Code. (780CMR, MGL Ch.143). During the permitting and inspection process, the Building Department reviews construction documents for compliance with the Massachusetts State Building Code, the Zoning Act (MGL Ch 40A), the City of Quincy Zoning Ordinance (Title 17, as amended), Wetland Protection Regulations (MGL Ch.131), and the Architectural Access Board Rules and Regulations (521CMR). In addition to issuing building permits, the Building Department also inspects and issues Inspection Certificates on a scheduled basis for buildings such as nightclubs, restaurants, day care centers, public schools, apartment buildings and other places of assembly. The Building Department receives and investigates complaints of zoning, building or municipal code violations. The Building Department answers technical questions from contractors and the general public on a daily basis.

### **Plumbing and Gas Fitting Department**

Issues plumbing and fuel/gas permits and ensures that all plumbing and gas installations throughout the City are installed in compliance with the Massachusetts Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code. (248 CMR)

### **Wiring Department**

Issues wiring permits and ensures that all electrical wiring projects throughout the City comply with the National Electrical Code. (527 CMR 12.)

### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

The ZBA hears and decides appeals of administrative decisions and grants relief for special permits and variances when appropriate. The members of the ZBA are volunteers, appointed by the Mayor. The ZBA held 23 Public Hearings and processed 121 cases during FY08.

## **Weights and Measures Department**

The Sealer of Weights and Measures is responsible for enforcing the State Statutes governing the operation of all weighing and measuring devices in the City of Quincy, as well as all products offered for sale. The Sealer examines and seals all weighing and measuring devices used in commerce on an annual basis and responds to citizen complaints on inaccurate weighing devices, short deliveries, underweight and mismarked products, and all aspects of suspected local consumer fraud, assuring equity in the marketplace.

## **Conservation Commission**

The Conservation Commission administers and enforces state and local wetlands regulations and is responsible for natural resource management and protection. The members of the Conservation Commission are volunteers, appointed by the Mayor. The Conservation Commission held 21 Public Hearings and processed 110 cases during FY 08.

## **Municipal Code Enforcement**

The Municipal Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) enforces the City ordinances. The CEO investigates and works to resolve all complaints and violations. The CEO also provides educational information to the public relative to our City Ordinances.

### **Additional ISD Functions**

Maintains the Quincy Builders License Program, and administers the testing of applicants wishing to obtain a Quincy Builders License.

Administers the Quincy Building Board of Appeals process by which developers, business owners and residential property owners can seek variances from the requirements of the Massachusetts State Building Code.

Monitors the FEMA Floodplain District throughout the City to ensure that all buildings and structures comply with FEMA regulations.

Participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). By adhering to the strict guidelines set forth by the NFIP, the City of Quincy has one of the highest community ratings in the Commonwealth. A high community rating from the NFIP means lower flood insurance premiums for all Quincy homeowners.

### **Overall Data Summary**

In FY 2008, ISD received approximately \$1.8 million dollars in total permit and related fees based on 180 million dollars in construction costs.

ISD collectively issued over 8200 various Permits and Certificates, performed over 18,000 field inspections.

ISD answered over 900 complaints and resolved 871 complaints. There are 29 complaints that are in progress. There are 16 complaints that are being prosecuted in Quincy District Court.

The FY2008 operating budget for ISD was \$1,299,813.55  
Interdepartmental Data Summary

**Building Department FY 08 Totals**

Permits # Type		Construction Cost Fees	
27	One Family Dwellings	5884800	78500
3	Two Family Dwellings	829654	12724
6	Multi Families	5985238	132614.5
4	Mercantile	6578530	153145
4	Garages	73500	920
732	Residential Alterations	14556702	227908
201	Commercial Alterations	122,720,091	496323
36	Demolitions	2585215	39002
81	Signs	269902	3706
77	Miscellaneous	629380	13598
16	Pools	159662	2008
40	Cost Upgrades	7,396,712	168324
19	Change of Occupancy	71560	1896
104	Driveways/Paving	335821	5321
6	Foundations	822900	18004
16	Telecommunications	444700	12902
721	Roofing/Siding/Windows	716165	195738
11	Decks	70700	1472
8	Violation Correction	26500	678
<b>Total</b>		<b>Total Const Cost Total Fees</b>	
<b>2112</b>		<b>\$180,157,732.75</b>	<b>\$1,564,783.50</b>

Total Field Inspections 6300

### Plumbing and Gas FY08 Totals

<b>Plumbing Applications</b>	1495
<b>Plumbing Inspections</b>	1700
<b>Total Plumbing Fees Collected</b>	<b>\$80,938.00</b>

<b>Gas Applications</b>	1085
<b>Gas Inspections</b>	1300
<b>Total Plumbing Fees Collected</b>	<b>\$41,663.00</b>

### **FISCAL YEAR TOTALS**

<b>Total Plumbing and Gas Applications</b>	<b>2580</b>
<b>Total Plumbing and Gas Inspections</b>	<b>3000</b>
<b>Total Fees Collected</b>	<b>\$122,601.00</b>

### Wiring Department FY08 Totals

<b>Permits Issued to Contractors</b>	1685
<b>Permits Issued to Mass Electric Co.</b>	480
<b>Inspection of New and Additional Wiring</b>	3548
<b>Inspection of Fire Damaged Buildings</b>	18
<b>Number of Defects</b>	340
<b>Total Permits</b>	<b>2165</b>
<b>Estimated Cost of Wiring to New and Old Buildings</b>	<b>\$ 12,905,647.50</b>
<b>Total Fees</b>	<b>\$ 87,450.30</b>

Weights and Measures FY08 Totals

**Annual Inspections**

**Actions Taken**

	Sealed	Not Sealed	Adjusted	Condemned	Adjustment Charges	Fees Collected
<b>Gasoline</b>	435	3	22		\$ 120.00	\$ 4,470.00
<b>Oil/Grease</b>	26					\$ 156.00
<b>Vehicle Tank</b>	41					\$ 820.00
<b>Bulk Storage Co Supplied Provided</b>	26					\$ 650.00
<b>10,000+ lb scale</b>	4					\$ 240.00
<b>1,000 - 5,000lb</b>	1					\$ 30.00
<b>100 - 1,000lb</b>	5					\$ 125.00
<b>10 - 100lb</b>	298	3				\$ 2,107.00
<b>10lb or less</b>	12					\$ 84.00
<b>Metric Weights</b>	147					\$ 147.00
<b>Apothecary/Troy Weights</b>	126					\$ 126.00
<b>Taxi Meters</b>	73					\$ 584.00
<b>Reverse Vending</b>	30					\$ 300.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1224</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,839.00</b>

**Hawker and Peddler Licenses**

Type of License	Number Issued	Comments	Fees Collected
Hawker & Peddler	11	Issued for 2008 Flag Day parade	\$ 550.00

Boards and Commissions FY08

Cases Heard

Fees Collected



Zoning Board of Appeals	121	\$15,200
Conservation Commission	110	\$16,747

ISD Personnel

Director of Inspectional Services	Jay Duca
Plan Examiner	Robert Conlon
Chief Building Inspector	James P. Anderson
Local Building Inspectors	Kathleen F. Nugent Paul E. McCarthy Sr. Bruce Knapp Michael Monahan
Secretary	Maureen McNamara
Senior Clerk Typist II	Norah Conners
Clerk	Kathleen Brash
Weights and Measures	Jonathan Brillo
Michael Shaheen (Retired)	
Zoning Board of Appeals Clerk	Noreen Brienzi
Conservation Enforcement Officer	Heather Sargent
Chief Plumbing Inspector	Thomas Pecoraro
Plumbing and Gas Inspector	Steven Mattes
Principal Clerk II	Christine Merlino
Chief Wiring Inspector	Thomas E. Purpura
Wiring Inspectors	Eugene DeMong
	David Rouleau
Principal Clerk I	Kathleen Falcetta
Code Enforcement Officer	Kenneth Burke

## **Quincy School Department**

Dr. Richard DeCristofaro, Superintendent

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

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#### **School Committee**

Mr. David McCarthy was elected Vice Chairman of the School Committee and Mrs. Jo-Ann Bragg re-elected to the School Committee. Mr. James Timmins who was elected to the School Committee in 2006, gave his resignation. Mr. Timmins was appointed by Mayor Koch as the City Solicitor for Quincy. A Joint Meeting of the City Council and School Committee appointed Mr. Nicholas Puleo to finish out Mr. Timmins' term. Mr. Kevin Mulvey resigned from the School Committee on July 29, 2008 and accepted the position of Director of Human Resources for the Quincy Public Schools. He was replaced by Mr. Ronald Mariano. Mr. Mariano was a prior member of the School Committee for 16 years.

#### **Appointments**

Mr. Keith Segalla was appointed to the position of Director of Career and Technical Education for the Quincy Public Schools. Ms. Christine Barrett was appointed Principal of the Reay E. Sterling Middle School. This year, Principals Laura Bogan, Atlantic Middle School; Donald Houghton, Squantum Elementary School; and Dr. Alan Osborne, Principal of Snug Harbor Community School; Personnel Director Thomas Walsh and Mr. Ken McPhee, Director of Security and Transportation retired. Mr. Kevin Murphy has been appointed Coordinator of Maintenance and Mr. Michael Draicchio Coordinator of Safety & Security.

#### **Pre-K Program**

The Pre -K program is an integral part of the Quincy Public Schools District Improvement Plan. All classes are accredited and staffed by creative nurturing teachers. All twelve teachers have or are completing masters programs. There are two different programs--integrated learning environment classes at Snug Harbor Community School with 218 students, 117 are on IEPs.

At the Amelio Della Chiesa Early Childhood Center, there are 76 students, 41 are on an IEP. At Wollaston Elementary School, multi-lingual Pre-K provides an opportunity for limited English speaking students. Wollaston has 12 students, and 5 are English language speakers. Funding comes from a QCAP grant, Title 1 and Quincy Public Schools funds. We are participating in the Mosaic study funded by the US Department of Education. In order to get into the Pre-K class there are certain regulations. There has to be two working parents, not above a certain income. Screenings are done in March. Half of the spots are open for Special Education students that may come in. Special Education students that are referred from early intervention at three years old. The others are at a first come first serve basis. Notices go

home with students; press releases are in newspapers, on the website, and on the radio. All Special Education students are tuition free. All others pay on a sliding scale fee.

### Official Enrollment

As of October 1, 2008 the official enrollment is 9,154 students. There are 4,103 students in elementary, up 143 students from 2007, and 5,051 students for middle and high schools, down 72 students from 2007. The total enrollment is up 71 students from 2007. All class sizes are within the School Committee limits with the exception of two Social Studies classes at North Quincy High which are above 30.

### Competency Determination

This year, the Department of Education has set new guidelines concerning the testing of students. There are two major components, testing and perimeters. This will have a major impact on students. The competency determination is a prerequisite for graduation. For the class of 2010, three tests will count this year. The Department of Education (DOE) has raised the passing standard to 240 beginning with 2010, this year's sophomores. Or they can still pass with 220 however, this Educational Proficiency Plan (EPP) kicks into affect. Beginning with 2010, the DOE has added a Science and Technology component. Beginning in 2012 students will have to pass the US History test. If they score under 240, they will need to complete courses in grades 11 and 12 in the subject. They did not achieve proficiency.

The students will be required to either meet or exceed the scale 240 in both ELA and math. Or if they don't reach that mark, they will be required to fulfill the requirements of an Education Proficiency Plan. The purpose is to increase the likelihood that Massachusetts students will succeed in college or in the workforce.

### Budget

The School Committee learned that the budget would be cut by \$3 million. However the final figure was a cut of \$1.5 million. At the request of the School Committee, Senator Michael Morrissey, Representatives Ron Mariano and Stephen Tobin were present to give a report on state funding. Senator Morrissey reviewed the FY09 Local Aid Estimates Cherry Sheet. He foresaw challenges facing us in the next budget year. The problem is in trying to keep the commitments they have made. Three years have passed for the Chapter 70 funding. The Lottery is level funded. The Quincy delegation is united in trying to increase revenues. They also recognize their commitment to the mentally ill, the homeless programs, health care. The cost for medical insurance is higher than anticipated. They were prepared to vote on a corporate reporting tax. The second half of this year home sales, lower capital gains, and energy prices could have a dramatic impact. The plan now is to use stabilization money and look for increase in revenues and deal with some cuts.

Representative Mariano said that the School Committee will face challenges. Right now the goal is to try and maintain their commitment to cities and towns and local aid. The revenue estimates are up. The bad news is much of that money is one-time revenue and will not be repeated. Representative Mariano said the climate in the state is not good with the foreclosures and higher gas prices. There is a sense of impending doom and a lack of confidence. Even though revenues are up, a lot of people aren't spending. Unemployment is going up and that's a terrible sign. They are trying to help Quincy any way they can.

#### Quincy Education Fund Committee

This year Mayor Koch appointed a new Quincy Education Fund Committee. Money donated by tax payers goes toward educational materials for the Quincy Public Schools. This has risen over \$30,000. Principals can decide where they want to spend the money in their school. People can donate to the Quincy Education Fund @ City Hall, Treasurer/Collectors office. This committee is putting a direct link on the City webpage and will change the design on tax bills to make donating easier. This donation is tax deductible.

#### New Quincy High School:

The Quincy High School Building Committee organized a tour of the newly finished wing. The new wing is very impressive and Principal Frank Santoro did a wonderful job explaining the whole layout. The Maintenance Department has disassembled the first floor of the Vocational Technical building. They have completed the Point Webster Lab for the Print Shop. The Print Shop will be moved into the Point Webster Middle School. Students and staff will move over to the new building during February vacation, and the Center for Technical Education building will come down the last week in February. The entire school should be ready to open in September 2010.

Mayor Koch announced that he intends to build a track facility at Faxon Field right next to the new Quincy High School.

#### New Central Middle School

Mayor Koch announced the members for the new Central Middle School Building Committee. Central Middle School will be replaced.

#### Odds & Ends:

Over the years, the Quincy Rural Masonic Lodge has given the school department defibrillators, funds for emergency kits in every school, an Epi-pen for each school, life skills curriculum, scholarships for graduates and the CHIP Program. This year, they donated an 18-

passenger yellow school bus with wheel chair capability which will help transport Special Education children.

At the request of the Mayor, this year, the School Committee voted to close schools on November 4, 2008 for the Presidential Election. The polling booths are located in many of our schools.

The price of school lunches was raised accordingly by 25¢. At the elementary level, the school lunches will go from \$1.50 to \$1.75 and \$1.75 to \$2.00 at the middle and high schools.

## **Quincy Council on Aging**

Thomas F. Clasby, Jr., DIRECTOR

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

FY2008

This past year was without a doubt, one of the most exciting for the Council on Aging since its inception. After more than a decade of talk about a Senior Center, Mayor Koch has taken action to see that the seniors of our city will have a first class center of their own. A committee was organized made up of former Council on Aging directors and members of the COA board to make recommendations for a suitable site. After a great deal of consideration and tours of various Senior Centers throughout the Commonwealth the determination was made that the former Myles Standish School was the site which was most suitable of all that we looked at. At more than 15,000 sq. feet, it will easily accommodate the administrative offices of the Council on Aging, the Transportation Division and the Quincy Health Department will also find a suitable home at least on a temporary basis. The local architectural firm of Holmes & Edwards, INC has come on board and have drawn up plans which include classrooms for educational seminars, a media room, computer training lab, art and music room, recreational room, gymnasium, industrial kitchen and much more. By using an existing city building, we will save the taxpayers millions. Although not centrally located the location does offer a number of unique and extremely attractive advantages for our purpose. Its close proximity to the newly renovated Wollaston Beach is one such asset, not only for the beautiful view but our active seniors will definitely benefit from recreational use of the beach, particularly walking clubs. Another unique aspect of the location is its closeness to a DRC walking path, which connects Airport Road and Commander Shea Boulevard. The MBTA 211 bus will drop seniors off about 50 feet from the front door of the center.

It was also a consideration that we have senior living at The Moorings, Naval Terrace and Airport Road, which are in close proximity to the center. The grounds will be plentiful with a fitness path, bocce courts, volleyball and a putting green. As this report is being prepared the work in the center is ongoing and next years report should boast of its completion and success of the project.

Our annual gathering to break up the winter known as, "It's a Party", took place once again at the Koch Center. Over 100 seniors attended. The Dixie Land Duo provided music. It was a great success. Other new programs included a seminar on Back Safety, a presentation on natural remedies for ailments and other issues that affect seniors, diabetes, smart borrowing, protecting your assets and traffic safety. Each of the workshops were very well attended. Additionally, the QCOA held the following programs: Osteoporosis Screening, Eye Screening, Foot Screenings and Blood Pressure Screenings. Other events included shopping trips to several malls on the South Shore, sightseeing tours and trips to Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun. These trips were fee based and enthusiastically attended by over 230 seniors.

Financial Advice counseling, Movie of the Month, Hearing Screening, Reverse Mortgage and Legal Advice programs continue. All of these programs are provided on a monthly basis at

little or no cost to Quincy's seniors. We were able to provide 104 free simple Wills; 124 free Hearing exams; and 24 sessions of Financial Advice.

We continue to enjoy close relationships with various agencies in our city and we are grateful to those organizations both public and private who have allowed use of their facilities and have helped our programs thrive.

The SHINE program handles all questions regarding Medicare, Medicaid, prescription coverage, duplicate billing and many other inquiries regarding health insurance. All SHINE volunteers completed an extensive 8-day training program and continually received updates and new information regarding changes in the system. There is no cost for seniors who utilize this service.

We continue our campaign to identify those individuals who are recently widowed and inform them of the services that are available to them. Each senior who loses a spouse receives a letter of condolence from the Director on behalf of the Department and information regarding the services available. Additionally we now provide a helpful book on the subject. We also continue to operate a number of smaller programs and sponsor some annual special events as well. Outreach on Wheels, in conjunction with the Thomas Crane Public Library, provides reading and other library materials to homebound seniors.

We remain committed to our fitness program, which includes line dancing and exercise. For those seniors who enjoy strengthening their mind as well, a Scrabble Club and Bridge Club meet once a week at the Dawes House.

The South Shore Center for the Blind was founded in 1976 and continues to be a source of pride for the Department. Supervised by Quincy Elder Services, this program continues to provide the visually impaired with a place to enjoy various activities every Tuesday and Friday. Volunteers assisted with these activities, as well as a number of special events and field trips. As a sponsor of this worthwhile program, the Quincy Council on Aging provides an ongoing support.

The Friendly Visitor volunteers continued to make visits to homebound seniors. Quincy Elder Services manages this program filing a C.O.R.I. (Criminal Offender Record Information) on all volunteers, matching volunteers with the appropriate seniors, keeping track of volunteer hours, and recording monthly reports. This program is indicative of the outreach efforts of Quincy Elder Services in making sure those living alone receive the care that is needed.

Our transportation program continues to be one of the finest in Massachusetts, and a model to other communities. The medical transportation program provided trips to Quincy, Milton, Carney and Braintree Rehab hospitals and several Boston hospitals and local doctors' offices. The Transvan program continues to thrive. The Transvan Program, with a nominal fee of \$20 per quarter, provides transportation throughout Quincy for any personal appointment. This service helps to fill a great void for seniors who need reasonably priced transportation to go food shopping, visit a friend, attend a wake, hairdressing or barbering, or for any non-medical reason. The Department of Elder Services continually gets positive responses from the many

clients who use the program, especially the professional treatment and thoughtfulness displayed by all the drivers.

For those seniors in recovery, the Quincy Elder Services Loaned Equipment Program lends wheelchairs, walkers, canes, shower chairs and other equipment to those seniors in need of such supplies. 107 needy seniors benefited from equipment loans this past year.

Once again we were able to assist seniors in filing their income taxes properly, through the IRS-AARP Income Tax Assistance Program. Sponsored by the Quincy Council on Aging, this program utilizes trained volunteers to assist seniors with filing their income tax forms. Operating out of the Koch Center, this program helped hundreds of Quincy seniors to prepare their Income Tax Returns for 2006. As is the case with many of our programs, there is no cost to the participant.

The Quincy Council on Aging newsletter continues to be an effective tool to communicate with the seniors we serve. We received positive feedback on such features in the newsletter as recipes, photos, trivia, and history highlights. The newsletters contain information regarding Council on Aging programs, other Community Center Senior activities and all pertinent information for Quincy's older population. Over 5,000 copies were distributed monthly.

The Council on Aging in conjunction with the Health Department participated in several forums. The nurses work closely with our staff providing us with current information on health and safety issues, which impacts the lives of seniors. Each month an article appears in our newsletter from the health department on these issues. Additionally, we notified the seniors of other points of interests or services provided by various City departments and agencies.

The Seniors Workers Abatement Program, SWAP, provides an opportunity for seniors living in Quincy to work in various Departments throughout the City. In exchange for work the SWAP participant receives a deduction from their property taxes of up to \$600. Seniors participated in a number of different duties such as computer work, office duties and bookkeeping, in departments such as the Library, Public Works, and the Council on Aging. This program has provided employment for seniors, assisted many departments with part-time workers and helped seniors living in their own homes keep up with their living expenses. Two of our most popular events take place in the Fall. The first is the Annual Quincy Senior Conference, held in September. Since 2005, this event has been named the John D. Noonan Senior Conference. Our thirteenth conference was once again held at Broad Meadows Middle School. This event attracted more than two hundred and fifty participants and volunteers. Workshops on many different topics were provided with speakers from various fields. The evaluations on the Conference showed a 98% approval rate and indicated that once again it lived up to its billing.

In November, the Quincy Council on Aging sponsored the thirty-first annual Mayor's Thanksgiving Dinner. One hundred and fifty seniors, who might otherwise have no place to go on Thanksgiving Day, were treated to a wonderful full course turkey dinner. Volunteers helped to make everyone in attendance feel at home on one of our most meaningful holidays.



Another annual event, which has become a highlight for seniors every spring, is the Quincy Senior Olympics. Working with the Recreation Department, the Quincy Council on Aging once again had a great turnout. Participants competed in many events throughout the City and this year's Olympics featured some new sites and sportsmanship luncheon. The awards ceremony was held at the Koch Center where the athletes were honored for their participation and the winners were awarded their medals. The city also recognized Beechwood on the Bay for their participation in the Senior Olympics for many years.

In an effort to reach all the City's seniors, the Quincy Council on Aging has continued to seek opportunities to network with other agencies to provide as much information to Quincy's seniors as possible. Our affiliation with Massachusetts Council on Aging has kept us well informed of the fiscal situation in the Commonwealth. Working with the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, the National Council on Aging, Massachusetts Gerontology Association, American Society on Aging, and other related agencies, the Quincy Council on Aging has been advised on many changes that have taken place in the industry. The Elder Update, local cable access program served as a vehicle to convey pertinent information to the seniors. The program broadcast each Thursday night at eight o'clock and is rebroadcast throughout the week.

Our relationship with South Shore Elder Services remains very strong. We are fortunate to have members of our Quincy Council on Aging board serve on the board of the South Shore Elder Services. South Shore Elder Services, which provides home care, Meals on Wheels, nutrition sites and other services in Quincy, has also assisted with promotion of our programs, application for grants and technical training. Once again, the Council on Aging successfully participated in the Merrill Lynch long distance phone call program, which provided seventy-five seniors with free phone calls anywhere in the world during the holiday period.

The Asian Senior Outreach Program, which takes place daily at the Wollaston Senior Center, continues to be a strong and vibrant asset to our community, with a significant level of participation.

The Quincy Council on Aging, Department of Elder Services is proud of what was accomplished in FY2007/2008. We are committed to finding new ideas to enhance the quality of life for Quincy's senior population.

## **Quincy Retirement Board**

Edward J. Masterson, Director

The Quincy Retirement Board manages the assets and oversees the administration of the Quincy Retirement System. There were no changes to the makeup of the Retirement Board this year.

The five members of the Board are:

City Auditor (ex-officio)	
Mayoral Appointee	Robert E. Foy III
Elected Member	George F. McCray
Elected Member	Richard P. Crespi
Appointed by other four	Roger E. Perfetti

The Retirement Board makes the policies and the office staff carries out those directives in the administration of the System. The Board and its staff ensure that the Retirement System operates within the guidelines of M.G.L. Chapter 32 and the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission regulations. The Board also has the responsibility of managing the assets of the system in a prudent manner to ensure the long term financial stability of the system.

The funding ratio of the system increased to 65% from the previous 58%.

The return for the fund was 6.6% for the year ended December 31, 2007. The assets were valued at \$315 million. The return was not as strong as the previous year, and was below the actuarially assumed rate of return of 8.25%.

The members of the system contributed over \$6.2 million through their weekly withholdings and the City and Housing Authority contributed \$19.7 million to the Retirement System.

The Retirement System paid out over \$31.5 million in pension payments for the year. The breakdown of that total is: (in thousands)

Regular Payments	23,613
Survivors	1,522
Ordinary Disability	141
Accidental Disability	4,770
Accidental Death	1,421

The Retirement Board staff is available to all members of the system for any questions regarding retirement benefits, from eligibility to projections of future benefits.

## **Thomas Crane Public Library**

Ann E. McLaughlin, DIRECTOR

### **ANNUAL REPORT FY2008**

Technology has dramatically expanded the services offered to the community in the city's public libraries.

In FY'08 the library website received 12,819,538 hits, up 27% from the year before.

The library website, [thomascranelibrary.org](http://thomascranelibrary.org), has become a virtual library branch, offering a range of online resources and services.

People may:

- reserve library materials, museum passes and library meeting rooms online
- search dozens of databases containing legal, medical, genealogical, literary, historical and community information
- view historic pictures and documents scanned from library and city archives
- sign up for customized reading lists, new book alerts, and the library's monthly online newsletter with up-to-date information on library programs
- ask reference questions online
- view The Next Chapter website developed to highlight resources and opportunities for people 50 and older "Rewriting Midlife and Beyond"
- find out about Friends of the Library membership and activities
- sign up for Outreach on Wheels, a home delivery service offered to homebound folks with the assistance of the Council on Aging
- learn about the library's Literacy Volunteers tutoring program for new readers and new English language learners
- download digital audio books from the Old Colony Library Network (OCLN)
- find out about the more than 750 programs offered each year for adults and children
- log on to Quincy on the Go and take the fitness challenge

Quincy's public libraries offer the community an exciting array of learning opportunities for people of all ages.

### **Staff**

The library staff works tirelessly to provide services seven days a week, year round. Quincy is one of the few libraries in the state open weekends in the summer and the tremendous usage on weekends reflects this.

The staff achieved many milestones in FY'08 reflected by the number of grants obtained, programs offered, and increase in usage in every category.

We are proud of the library staff and the excellent library services our staff provides.

Wireless Internet was expanded at the main library and branches.

Monthly bilingual library tours and story hours were offered in Chinese and English.

Collaborations with a variety of city departments and community groups allowed the library to reach out to many more people in the city. These included:

- Quincy Recreation Department - collaborating on the development of Quincy on the Go, a citywide fitness initiative
- QATV – developing a monthly “At the Library” program featuring upcoming library events
- Quincy Medical Center – assisting with the bilingual health series offered to Asian elders at the library in conjunction with Quincy Asian Resources Inc. and South Shore Elder Services
- Quincy Environmental Network and the Quincy Park Department’s Environmental Treasures Program offering timely programs on “living green” and popular local walking tours
- South Shore YMCA – collaborating on developing programs for teens and promoting the annual Mad Dash Makeover
- Quincy Public Schools – staff worked with students and teachers on a variety of class projects and class visits
  
- The Quincy Planning Department – opening the long-awaited North Quincy Neighborhood Center in the renovated North Quincy Branch bookmobile garage
- The Wollaston Federal Savings and Loan Association – donating helpful library bookmarks to give to the public

## Grants

Grant funds allow the library to expand programs and staff skills. The library received a number of grants in FY’08:

\$2,500 Let’s Talk About It: Jewish Literature – Identity and Imagination. Quincy was one of 250 libraries nationwide to be funded for this five-part reading and discussion series at the library

\$12,500 English Conversation Circles “Talk Time” grant from the Mass. Board of Library Commissioners to develop volunteer-led English conversations groups for new English speakers

\$5,500 English Language Literacy Grant from the Nellie Mae Education Foundation to support the library’s ESL program

\$9,750 Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grant to purchase additional computers for Wollaston and Adams Shore Branches

\$2,500 Summer Storyteller Series grant from the Quincy Arts Lottery to fund the popular summer series

\$500 Summer Reading kick-off event funded by South Coastal Community Bank, this year featuring “Bubblemania”

\$13,891 Literacy project funding from the Mass. Department of Education to fund the library’s Literacy Volunteers program

\$5,000 Literacy Project funding from the Marjorie Harris Reynolds Fund to support literacy student and tutor training  
\$1,100 from Quincy Rotary to purchase children's books in honor of Rotary speakers  
\$5,000 Equal Access Grant funding from the Mass. Board of Library Commissioners to develop programs and services for teens and adults 50 and older  
\$26,800 from the Quincy Preservation Committee to restore the LaFarge "Angel at the Tomb" stained glass window  
\$1395.46 Public Libraries Fund, MBLC fundraising match for the Friends of the Library

A total of \$86,436.46 in grants was received in FY'08.

### Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library fund hundreds of programs each year, including storytellers, musicians, authors, films, lectures, dancers, speakers, and museum passes.

Funding for these programs is raised by the hardworking Friends through book sales, membership donations and special events. In FY'08 Friends spent \$37,134 on library programs.

Special thanks go to Harold Crowley, the wonderful Friends President, and to Jennifer Smith and Peggy Doyle who are stepping down as chairs of the Book Sale Committee which they have ably led.

"Friends Make It Happen" is their slogan and it is certainly true for Quincy's libraries.

Friends of the Library Board  
Harold S. Crowley, Jr., President  
Eunice Charles, Vice President  
Ann Yeomans, Secretary  
Alicia Coletti, Treasurer  
Members-at-Large: Bonnie Ashworth, Jennifer Bell, Peggy Doyle  
Betty Molloy, Marianne Murphy, Geraldine Storella, Susie Wilkening

### Library Trustees

The Mayor appoints six trustees to one year terms to oversee library services. For 2008, Mayor Koch appointed: Alicia Coletti, Harold S. Crowley, Jr., Harold DiMattio, Dr. Janet DiTullio, Lawrence J. Falvey, Jr. and Sandra McCauley. Officers are: Alicia Coletti, Chair; Harold DiMattio, Secretary; and Sandra McCauley, Treasurer.

We appreciate the hard work of this dedicated Board.

## Literacy Volunteers Advisory Board

The literacy project's advisory board works to raise community awareness about literacy and the work of the library's Literacy Volunteers. Annual fundraisers help supplement project costs, and many Board members work as volunteer tutors. We are very grateful for the work this committee does.

### Literacy Advisory Board

Nancy Powers, Isabel Ventre, Marnie Dunn

Elaine Kline, Terri Mignosa, Tom Lentini

Board Support: Marilyn Silva, Ruth Davis, Pat Ward

## Library Hours and Locations

Thomas Crane Library, 40 Washington Street

617-376-1301

Open: Monday – Thursday 9 – 9

Friday – Saturday 9 – 5

Sunday 1 – 5

Adams Shore Branch, 519 Sea Street

617-376-1325

Open: Monday 1 – 9, Tuesday 9 – 5

Wednesday – Friday 1 – 5

North Quincy Branch, 381 Hancock Street

617-376-1320

Open: Monday 9 – 5, Tuesday 1 – 9

Wednesday – Friday 1 – 5

Wollaston Branch, 41 Beale Street

617-376-1330

Open: Monday – Tuesday 1 – 5

Wednesday 1 – 9, Thursday 1 – 5, Friday 9 – 5

Library website: [thomascranelibrary.org](http://thomascranelibrary.org)

## **Office of the City Solicitor**

Monica Conyngham, Solicitor

Under the direction of the Mayor, the office of the City Solicitor provides legal services for the City of Quincy. The Solicitor, her assistants and counsel are responsible for defending the City against all lawsuits and claims brought against the City, its officers, employees and departments. They must also commence and prosecute all legal actions arising from claims, rights or privileges of the City or any department or administrative board of the City. These responsibilities usually include litigation; the review of legal documents; and the rendering of legal opinions upon request from the Mayor, City Council or department heads.

Numerous issues of municipal law were presented for resolution, including drafting the Quincy Center zoning amendment and the Quincy Center District Improvement Financing zone; defending the City in several trials in both federal and state court; advising the Mayor with respect to budgetary issues; and enforcing health and safety codes. In addition the office of the City Solicitor assisted the various Departments of the City in their work on behalf of the City. These efforts included revising proposed regulations of the Health Department with respect to the licensure of massage parlors. The office of the City Solicitor also represents the various city boards including the Conservation Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Planning Board and the Board of License Commissioners. The office of the City Solicitor defends the decisions made by these Boards. In particular, the Office of the City Solicitor defended decisions relating to the proposed garage at the Quincy Medical Center, as well as the revocation of Liquor Licenses and other disciplinary action taken against Licensees. The office of the City Solicitor was proud to assist the administration in resolving these and many other issues in a manner fitting of our great city.

During Fiscal Year 2008, the City received in excess of 300 new claims. During that same period, payments were made in settlement of approximately 60 claims.

## **Purchasing Department**

Rhonda Merrill, Purchasing Department

The Purchasing Department is responsible for the procurement for all City departments, including the Quincy Public Schools, Quincy College and the South Coastal Career Center. The Department manages and oversees all requisitions, purchase orders, contracts and bidding procedures in order to procure materials as well as services. This is done in accordance with any and all applicable State and Federal Laws as well as City Ordinances in an effort to safeguard against waste, fraud and abuse. It is our mission to promote open, honest and fair competition to ensure that the taxpayers of Quincy get the best possible value for every dollar spent to operate city government.

The Department processed 218 contracts and 60 bid calls during the course of fiscal year 2008.



## **Human Resources**

Stephen J. McGrath, Director

The Human Resources Department handles benefits (employee, retiree, employees on leave of absences, and worker's compensation), compensation, employee and labor relations. The 2008 Human Resources Department consisted of the Director of Human Resources, Stephen J. McGrath and the following very dedicated and hard-working individuals: Marie Brinkmann, Benefits Coordinator; Lorene Connolly and Patricia McGowan, Human Resources Assistant (a job share) and Anthony Sansevero, Assistant Benefits Coordinator.

In the benefits area, we administer the health plans for 4343 subscribers that include 2584 subscribers on the Health Maintenance Plan (HMO) and the Preferred Provider Plan (PPO) and 1759 retirees on the Medicare Enhance and Quincy Medical Center – Boston Medical Center (QMC/BMC) Preferred. This represents over 8000 members. We also conducted an Open Enrollment in the Spring for employees and retirees so that they have an opportunity to change their benefit choices.

The City's Labor Counsel and the Director of Human Resources were also involved in several disciplinary actions, arbitration hearings, Civil Service appeals and hearings before the Labor Relations Commission.

This is an overview of the most important events that occurred in the Human Resources Department during this 2008 fiscal year.

### **Section Three: Financial Statistics**

## **Assessor's Office**

Marion Fantucchio, Chairwoman

### **Annual Report Fiscal 2008**

Fiscal Year 2008 was the year for our triennial certification. A thorough review of calendar 2006 sales was done and income and expense requests were sent to all commercial and industrial properties and apartment buildings. Sales during the year were stable but started to show a downward trend as we came to the close of 2006. An analysis of the income and expense statements showed that commercial properties were relatively stable.

Construction throughout the city was primarily for residential property. We had a number of new condominiums and condominium conversions. The new senior housing at Squantum Gardens, "The Moorings", was completed and, is proving to be an excellent addition to housing for elderly persons.

For Fiscal Year 2006 the City Council voted to adopt legislation which allowed them to adopt a classification shift of the tax burden of greater than 175%. They voted to use a shift of 189%. Doing this required an annual reduction of the tax burden shift until it comes down to 170%. On this basis, the shift for Fiscal Year 2008 was 175%. Shortly before setting the classification shift for Fiscal Year 2008, the law on the expanded shift was repealed, so that for Fiscal Year 2009 the shift can remain at 175% instead of having to go to a shift of 170%.

For Fiscal Year 2008 there were 896 abatement applications filed; 695 on residential properties and 201 on commercial properties.

There were 46 applications filed for abatements on Personal Property.

There were 1,028 applications approved for the various personal exemptions and/or tax deferrals. These were for elderly persons, surviving spouses, blind persons, disabled veterans, tax deferrals and others.

The Board of Assessors and their staff explained the requirements for the various exemptions and the appeal process to those persons filing exemptions and abatement applications.

There were 1633 permits reviewed and properties measured and listed by the Board of Assessors for Fiscal Year 2008. Based on the building permits, 2,278 deeds recorded at the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, affecting ownership and other documents on subdivisions, mergers, condominiums (new and conversions), takings, and changes of mailing addresses, a total of 5,897 changes on Assessors records were processed.

There were 70,072 Motor Vehicle Excise tax bills and 2,735 Boat Excise tax bills issued. There were 2,978 Motor Vehicle Excise and 388 Boat Excise tax abatements processed against these bills.

## FISCAL YEAR 2008 TAX RATE SUMMARY

A.	Total amount to be raised	\$268,476,726.34
B.	Total Estimated Receipts	\$119,405,122.27
C.	Total Tax Levy	\$149,071,604.07

### D. Distribution of Tax Rates and Levies

	A. Class	B Levy Percentage	C Levy by Class	D Valuation by Class	E Tax Rates
I.	Residential	71.3161%	106,312,054.23	9,816,364,783.	\$10.83
II.	Open Space				
III.	Commercial	23.6271%	35,221,296.97	1,585,148,367.	\$22.22
IV.	Industrial	1.5036%	2,241,440.64	100,877,800.	\$22.22
V.	Personal Property	3.5532%	5,296,812.24	238,383,080.	\$22.22

## VALUATION

Real Estate	\$11,502,390,950.
Tangible Personal Property	238,383,080.
Total Valuation of the City as Determined for January 1, 2007	\$11,740,774,030.
Total Valuation of Motor Vehicles as of June 30, 2008	312,064,918.
Total Valuation of Boats as of June 30, 2008	17,418,800.
Total	\$12,070,257,748.

## TAX RATES

Residential	Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property
\$10.83	\$22.22

STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS GRANTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007 UNDER THE  
PROVISIONS OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:

AMOUNT ABATED	NUMBER OF EXEMPTIONS	
SEVENTEEN E SURVIVING SPOUSES AND ELDERLY PERSONS	229	\$50,340.80
EIGHTEEN HARDSHIP	12	12,308.97
TWENTY-TWO VETERANS		
TWENTY-TWO (a-f) 188,800.00	472	
TWENTY-TWO A	9	6,750.00
TWENTY-TWO B	1	1,250.00
TWENTY-TWO C	2	3,000.00
TWENTY-TWO E	75	72,000.00
PARAPLEGICS	1	4,657.28
THIRTY-SEVEN A BLIND	89	44,500.00
FORTY-ONE D ELDERLY PERSONS 70 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER	188	92,805.50
FORTY-ONE A DEFERRED PERSONS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OVER	54	189,211.11
FORTY-TWO AND FORTY-THREE 8,180.78 SURVIVING SPOUSES AND MINOR CHILDREN OF POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY	2	
FIFTY 1,500.00 ELDERLY HOUSING	3	
TOTALS	1,137	\$675,304.44

**Treasurer Collector**

**TREASURER****Deborah C. Coughlin, TREASURER/COLLECTOR**

**Annual Report 2008**  
**CITY OF QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

	General	Stabilization Fund	Quincy Ctr Concourse Fund	High School Project	Honeywell Lease Projects	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>							
Real estate and personal property taxes, net of tax \$	142,297,070	-	-	-	-	-	142,297,070
Tax Liens	1,837,262	-	-	-	-	-	1,837,262
Motor vehicle and other excise tax	8,345,255	-	-	-	-	-	8,345,255
Hotel/motel tax	-	-	-	-	-	774,293	774,293
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	-	2,058,718	2,058,718
Urban redevelopment corporations tax	850,222	-	-	-	-	-	850,222
Penalties and interest on taxes	929,980	-	-	-	-	-	929,980
Fees and rentals	1,883,003	-	-	-	-	-	1,883,003
Payments in lieu of taxes	360,545	-	-	-	-	-	360,545
Licenses and permits	523,244	-	-	-	-	-	523,244
Fines and forfeitures	370,473	-	-	-	-	-	370,473
Intergovernmental	64,225,805	-	-	22,682,217	-	25,461,379	112,369,401
Departmental and other	3,322,676	-	-	-	-	1,637,520	4,960,196
Community preservation surtax	-	-	-	-	-	1,110,404	1,110,404
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	275,058	275,058
Investment income	1,971,019	154,580	219,137	-	-	(325,216)	2,019,520
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	151,167	151,167
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>226,916,554</b>	<b>154,580</b>	<b>219,137</b>	<b>22,682,217</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31,143,323</b>	<b>281,115,811</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>							
Current:							
General government	10,420,751	-	-	-	277,531	2,015,301	12,713,583
Public Safety	40,447,883	-	-	-	4,031,416	897,087	45,376,386
Education	78,308,434	-	-	21,779,868	24,171,816	13,830,182	138,090,300
Public works	15,751,261	-	3,252,776	-	278,438	5,883,904	25,166,379
Human services	2,064,671	-	-	-	-	8,498,763	10,563,434
Community preservation	-	-	-	-	-	5,772,915	5,772,915
Culture and recreation	5,773,588	-	-	-	2,049,356	875,519	8,698,463
Pension benefits	38,456,417	-	-	-	-	-	38,456,417
Employee benefits	41,229,394	-	-	-	-	-	41,229,394
Claims and judgments	270,642	-	-	-	-	-	270,642
State and county charges	2,744,488	-	-	-	-	-	2,744,488
Debt service:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Principal	5,530,615	-	-	-	-	425,000	5,955,615
Interest	2,669,318	-	-	-	-	322,174	2,991,492
Capital lease expenditures	1,389,275	-	-	-	-	-	1,389,275
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>245,056,737</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,252,776</b>	<b>21,779,868</b>	<b>30,808,557</b>	<b>38,520,845</b>	<b>339,418,783</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>(18,140,183)</b>	<b>154,580</b>	<b>(3,033,639)</b>	<b>902,349</b>	<b>(30,808,557)</b>	<b>(7,377,522)</b>	<b>(58,302,972)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>							
Proceeds from bonds and notes	-	-	-	-	-	6,470,000	6,470,000
Capital lease financing	-	-	-	-	1,136,562	-	1,136,562
Transfers in	16,613,441	-	-	-	-	118,218	16,731,659
Transfers out	(80,075)	(5,058,128)	-	-	-	(2,262,083)	(7,400,286)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCE</b>	<b>16,533,366</b>	<b>(5,058,128)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,136,562</b>	<b>4,326,135</b>	<b>16,937,935</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>(1,606,817)</b>	<b>(4,903,548)</b>	<b>(3,033,639)</b>	<b>902,349</b>	<b>(29,671,995)</b>	<b>(3,051,387)</b>	<b>(41,365,037)</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YE Year</b>	<b>8,194,215</b>	<b>12,834,395</b>	<b>(3,016,869)</b>	<b>(5,082,757)</b>	<b>30,878,045</b>	<b>19,177,867</b>	<b>62,984,896</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>6,587,398</b>	<b>7,930,847</b>	<b>(6,050,508)</b>	<b>(4,180,408)</b>	<b>1,206,050</b>	<b>16,126,480</b>	<b>21,619,859</b>

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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2008

	Primary Government		
	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents.....	\$ 63,988,343	\$ 12,323,037	\$ 76,311,380
Investments.....	4,366,214	2,393,529	6,759,743
Deposits held by escrow agent.....	4,971,537	112,818	5,084,355
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Real estate and personal property taxes.....	6,446,920	-	6,446,920
Tax liens.....	4,272,118	-	4,272,118
Motor vehicle excise taxes.....	968,346	-	968,346
User fees.....	-	12,143,796	12,143,796
Community preservation fund surtax.....	17,486	-	17,486
Intergovernmental.....	12,431,194	437,559	12,868,753
Loans.....	1,593,068	-	1,593,068
Other assets.....	827,418	1,133,000	1,960,418
<b>NONCURRENT:</b>			
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Real estate tax deferrals.....	937,065	-	937,065
Intergovernmental.....	9,382,898	1,063,335	10,446,233
Tax foreclosures.....	995,058	-	995,058
Capital assets, non depreciable.....	97,527,690	1,151,417	98,679,107
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.....	137,994,027	46,371,384	184,365,411
<b>TOTAL ASSETS.....</b>	<b>346,719,382</b>	<b>77,129,875</b>	<b>423,849,257</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT:</b>			
Warrants payable.....	8,752,422	1,476,727	10,229,149
Accrued liabilities.....	80,623	-	80,623
Accrued payroll.....	9,008,326	546,648	9,554,974
Health claims payable.....	4,620,000	-	4,620,000
Tax refunds payable.....	1,536,916	-	1,536,916
Accrued interest.....	633,000	222,402	855,402
Other liabilities.....	1,264,486	634,916	1,899,402
Deferred revenue.....	843,907	677,444	1,521,351
Capital lease obligations.....	1,536,030	79,874	1,615,904
Compensated absences.....	4,109,000	135,155	4,244,155
Workers' compensation.....	761,000	-	761,000
Bonds and notes payable.....	47,643,884	2,996,553	50,640,437
<b>NONCURRENT:</b>			
Capital lease obligations.....	30,478,577	1,780,972	32,259,549
Other post employment benefit obligation.....	13,990,000	892,000	14,882,000
Compensated absences.....	847,000	219,547	1,066,547
Workers' compensation.....	2,734,000	-	2,734,000
Bonds and notes payable.....	50,908,748	23,142,763	74,051,511
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES.....</b>	<b>179,747,919</b>	<b>32,805,001</b>	<b>212,552,920</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt.....	123,814,868	19,522,639	143,337,507
Restricted for:			
Capital purposes.....	-	1,133,000	1,133,000
Loans.....	1,593,068	-	1,593,068
Permanent funds:			
Expendable.....	186,462	-	186,462
Nonexpendable.....	2,500,228	-	2,500,228
Grants and gifts.....	9,202,038	-	9,202,038
Unrestricted.....	29,674,799	23,669,235	53,344,034
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS.....</b>	<b>\$ 166,971,463</b>	<b>\$ 44,324,874</b>	<b>\$ 211,296,337</b>

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# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

		Program Revenues				
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue	
Primary Government:						
Governmental Activities:						
General government.....	\$ 19,175,812	\$ 1,204,149	\$ 3,008,497	\$ -	\$ (14,963,166)	
Public safety.....	66,905,780	1,877,344	2,216,976	-	(62,811,460)	
Education.....	149,931,254	2,366,602	46,323,955	22,682,217	(78,558,480)	
Public works.....	20,332,468	877,954	7,376,694	-	(12,077,820)	
Human services.....	11,307,945	187,412	8,645,840	1,650	(2,473,043)	
Community preservation.....	77,385	-	-	761,415	684,030	
Culture and recreation.....	9,507,359	221,740	699,194	-	(8,586,425)	
Claims and judgments.....	270,642	-	-	-	(270,642)	
Interest.....	3,039,526	-	49,454	-	(2,990,072)	
Total Governmental Activities....	280,548,171	6,735,201	68,320,610	23,445,282	(182,047,078)	
Business-Type Activities:						
Sewer.....	17,513,378	21,783,298	-	-	4,269,920	
Water.....	11,384,633	16,483,271	-	-	5,098,638	
Quincy College.....	15,388,416	16,150,063	79,218	-	840,865	
Total Business-Type Activities...	44,286,427	54,416,632	79,218	-	10,209,423	
Total Primary Government.....	\$ 324,834,598	\$ 61,151,833	\$ 68,399,828	\$ 23,445,282	\$ (171,837,655)	

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**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
BALANCE SHEET**

JUNE 30, 2008

	General	Stabilization Fund	Quincy Ctr Concourse Fund	High School Project	Honeywell Lease Projects	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash and equivalents.....	\$ 17,392,086	\$ 7,930,847	\$ 13,993,249	\$ 1,916,476	\$ -	\$ 17,500,861	\$ 58,733,519
Investments.....	1,626,652	-	-	-	-	2,739,562	4,366,214
Deposits held by escrow agent.....	695,632	-	-	-	4,275,905	-	4,971,537
Receivables, net of uncollectibles:							
Real estate and personal property taxes.....	6,446,920	-	-	-	-	-	6,446,920
Real estate tax deferrals.....	937,065	-	-	-	-	-	937,065
Tax liens.....	4,260,629	-	-	-	-	11,489	4,272,118
Motor vehicle excise taxes.....	968,346	-	-	-	-	-	968,346
Community preservation fund surtax.....	-	-	-	-	-	17,486	17,486
Intergovernmental.....	10,669,410	-	-	3,659,759	-	7,484,923	21,814,092
Loans.....	-	-	-	-	-	1,593,068	1,593,068
Tax foreclosures.....	995,058	-	-	-	-	-	995,058
<b>TOTAL ASSETS.....</b>	<b>\$ 43,991,798</b>	<b>\$ 7,930,847</b>	<b>\$ 13,993,249</b>	<b>\$ 5,576,235</b>	<b>\$ 4,275,905</b>	<b>\$ 29,347,389</b>	<b>\$ 105,115,423</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>							
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>							
Warrants payable.....	\$ 1,038,930	\$ -	\$ 43,757	\$ 3,256,643	\$ 3,069,855	\$ 1,343,051	\$ 8,752,236
Accrued liabilities.....	80,623	-	-	-	-	-	80,623
Accrued payroll.....	9,008,326	-	-	-	-	-	9,008,326
Tax refunds payable.....	1,536,916	-	-	-	-	-	1,536,916
Abandoned property.....	874,481	-	-	-	-	3,008	877,489
Other liabilities.....	173,950	-	-	-	-	-	173,950
Deferred revenues.....	24,691,174	-	-	-	-	8,874,850	33,566,024
Notes payable.....	-	-	20,000,000	6,500,000	-	3,000,000	29,500,000
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES.....</b>	<b>37,404,400</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,043,757</b>	<b>9,756,643</b>	<b>3,069,855</b>	<b>13,220,909</b>	<b>83,495,564</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>							
Reserved for:							
Encumbrances and continuing appropriations..	2,335,882	-	-	-	-	-	2,335,882
Perpetual permanent funds.....	-	-	-	-	-	2,500,228	2,500,228
Unreserved:							
Undesignated, reported in:							
General fund.....	4,251,516	-	-	-	-	-	4,251,516
Special revenue funds.....	-	7,930,847	-	-	-	9,990,306	17,921,153
Capital projects funds.....	-	-	(6,050,508)	(4,180,408)	1,206,050	3,449,484	(5,575,382)
Permanent funds.....	-	-	-	-	-	186,462	186,462
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES.....</b>	<b>6,587,398</b>	<b>7,930,847</b>	<b>(6,050,508)</b>	<b>(4,180,408)</b>	<b>1,206,050</b>	<b>16,126,480</b>	<b>21,619,859</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES.....</b>	<b>\$ 43,991,798</b>	<b>\$ 7,930,847</b>	<b>\$ 13,993,249</b>	<b>\$ 5,576,235</b>	<b>\$ 4,275,905</b>	<b>\$ 29,347,389</b>	<b>\$ 105,115,423</b>

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